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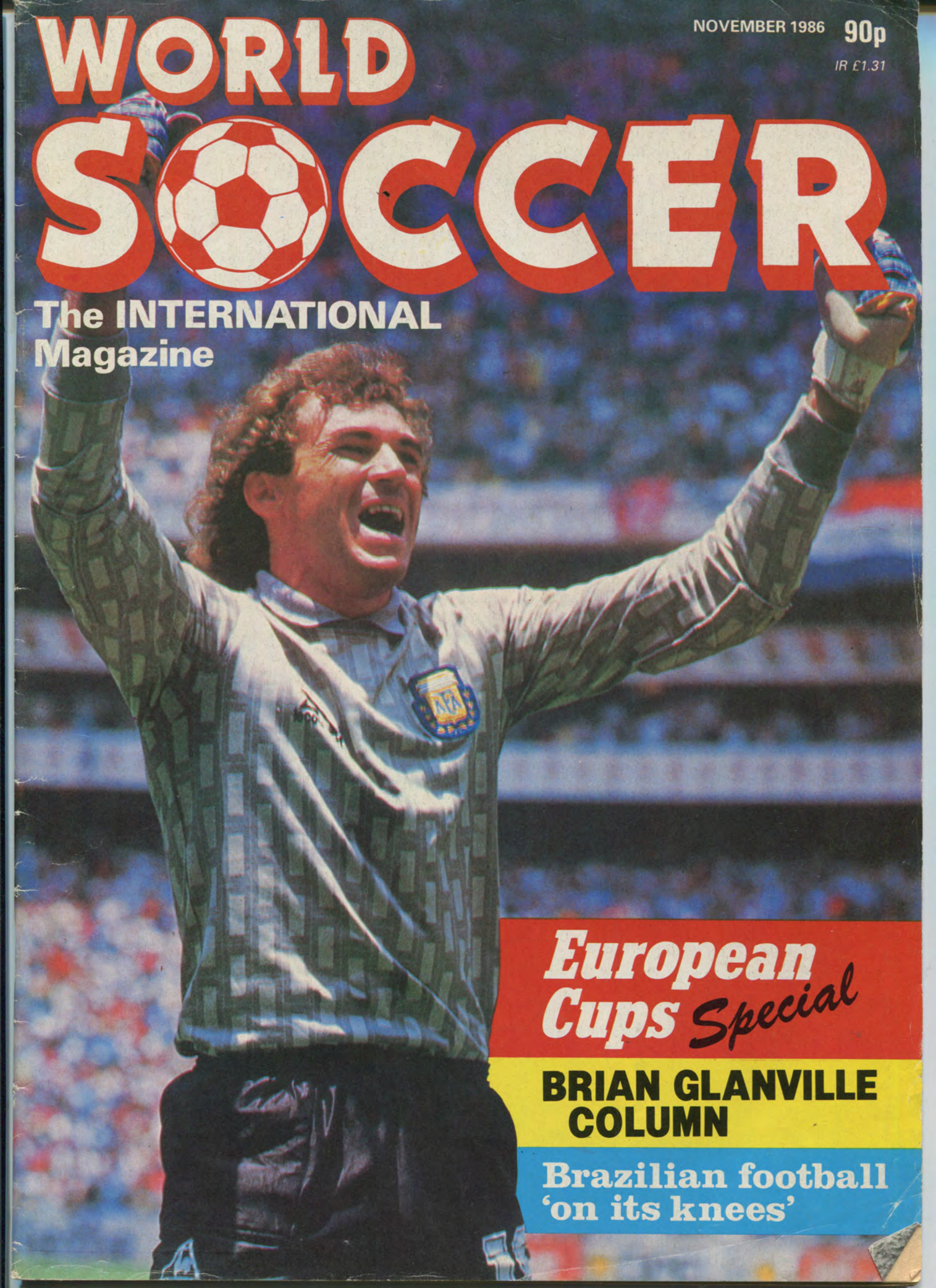

European Cups Special

BRIAN GLANVILLE COLUMN

Brazilian football 'on its knees'

MASSIMO BRIASCHI (left) (Juventus) and ROBERTO DONADONI (A.C. Milan)

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GOING, GOING, GONE!

by Keir Radnedge

THAT'S the sad state of three of world football's top title-holders.

FRANCE face an uphill battle to hang on to their European championship ... STEAUA BUCHAREST have only a finger-hold left on the Champions' Cup ... and ARGENTINOS JUNIORS have been deposed as South American club champions.

Only a matter of months ago France were hailed as potential World Cup winners and third place in Mexico was considered the least they deserved for all their artistic efforts over the past eight years.

Now their chances of even reaching West Germany to defend their European title in 1988 are under threat after the 2-0 home beating by the Soviet Union.

So marked was Soviet superiority in the Parc des Princes that top Paris weekly, *France Football*, described their own French team as "virtually eliminated after just two games.

"Hope, for opponents of the Soviets, always comes in with the spring. That's when, after the icy winter close-season, they are ring-rusty and vulnerable. Kiev's repeated Champions' Cup failures at the quarter-finals stage underlines the point.

Kiev remain, however, at club level a better bet for glory than last season's surprise European Cup-winners from STEAUA BUCHAREST. The Rumanian army team, hit by injuries and suspension, crashed 3-0 to Anderlecht in Brussels in their Champions' Cup second round first leg and appear to be on the way out.

Steaua have had little to cheer since their dramatic penalty shoot-out victory over Terry Venables's Barcelona turned them into Eastern Europe's first European champions last May.

They then lost to neighbours Dinamo Bucharest in the Rumanian cup final and were successively turned over by Paris Saint-Germain (on penalties), Saint-Etienne and Real Madrid in prestige summer tournaments in the French and Spanish capitals.

On top of that, they have lost European Cup-winning coach Emerich Jenei, who was suddenly seconded to take charge of the Rumanian national team in a quietly-executed replacement of Mircea Lucescu.

Jenei has not been formally replaced as Steaua's chief coach. But it was clear in Brussels the other week that control has now been passed into the hands of his erstwhile assistant, Anghel Iordanescu.

As for ARGENTINOS JUNIORS, their reign as South American title-holders was ended in a semi-final penalty shoot-out by Buenos Aires rivals River Plate after the two Argentine teams had finished level on points at the top of a semi-final group which also featured Barcelona of Ecuador.

FEYENOORD of Rotterdam may also face a European suspension after 71 of their fans were arrested for violence before, during and after the UEFA Cup thrashing away to Borussia Mönchengladbach. Borussia general manager Helmet Grashoff said: "I have never experienced such fans."

COVER PICTURE: Nery Alberto Pumpido, Argentina's World Cup-winning goalkeeper, now hoping to complete a world double with his club team, River Plate.

APOEL of Cyprus have been banned from European club competition for two years and fined £1,500 (pending appeal) by UEFA for failing to turn up in Istanbul for their Champions' Cup second round first leg away to Besiktas of Turkey.

That the tie collapsed was hardly surprising since there has been no sporting contact between Greek/Cypriot Cyprus and Turkey since the annexation of part of the island by Turks 12 years ago.

Bridges

This appeared to many people on both sides of the divide an ideal opportunity to mend some bridges. However the Cyprus government put heavy pressure on APOEL at the last minute and forced their withdrawal under a flimsy political pretext concerning Besiktas' projected travel arrangements for the second leg.

The Cypriots got what they asked for, unfortunately. Their own claim for a walk-over to the quarter-finals was a nonsense. APOEL should have played the first leg before they worried about the second.

Franz Carr of Nottingham Forest against Arthur Albiston of Manchester United.

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REAL MADRID
Founded: 1902.
Colours: All-white.
Stadium: Estadio Santiago Bernabeu (90,200).
Spanish league: 21 times champions (record).
Spanish cup: 15 times.
Spanish league Cup: once (1985).
World Club Cup: 1960; runners-up 1966.
European Champions' Cup: 1956, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1966; runners-up 1962, 1964, 1981.
Cup-winners' Cup: runners-up 1971 and 1983.
UEFA Cup: 1985 and 1986.
Super Cup: —.
1985-86 Spanish League title-winning appearances (substitutions)/goals. — Goal: Ochotorena 23, Agustin 11 (1). Defenders: Chendo 30, Camacho 29, Sanchis 28/1, Maceda 28/5, Salguero 10 (4)/1, San jose 1 (4), Solana 4, Francis (1). Midfield: Michel 30(1)/7, Gallego 31/2, Juanito 22(7)/4, Gordillo 22/1, Martin Vazquez 8(9)/3. Forwards: Hugo Sanchez 33/22, Valdano 27(5)/17, Butragueño 29(2)/10, Santillana 6(20)/4, Cholo 4(4)/3. Plus three own goals.

All-time Champions' Cup record:

P	W	D	L	For	Agt
139	84	18	37	339	150

CHAMPIONS' CUP 1961-62
Quarter-final, first leg (Feb 14)
Juventus 0
Real Madrid 1 (Di Stefano 72)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 66,403. **Ref:** Dusch (WG)
Juventus: Anzolin — Sarti, Charles, Castano, Leoncini — Mazzia, Rosa, Sivori — Mora, Nicole, Stacchini.
Madrid: Araquistain — Casado, Santamaria, Pachin, Miera — Felo, Di Stefano, Del Sol — Canario, Puskas, Gento.

Quarter-final, second leg (Feb 21)
Real Madrid 0
Juventus 1 (Sivori 35)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 72,512. **Ref:** Guigue (Fr)
Madrid: Araquistain — Casado, Santamaria, Antonio Ruiz, Miera — Del Sol, Di Stefano, Felix Ruiz — Tejada, Puskas, Gento.
Juventus: Anzolin — Sarti, Garzena, Bercellino, Leoncini — Mazzia, Charles, Sivori — Mora, Nicole, Stacchini.

Quarter-final play-off (Paris, Feb 28)
Juventus 1 (Sivori 36)
Real Madrid 3 (Felo 35sec, Del Sol 66, Tejada 83)
HT: 1-1. **Att:** 36,750. **Ref:** Schwinte (Fr)
Juventus: Anzolin — Sarti, Garzena, Bercellino, Leoncini — Mazzia, Charles, Sivori — Mora, Nicole, Stacchini.
Madrid: Araquistain — Casado, Santamaria, Pachin, Miera — Felo, Di Stefano, Del Sol — Tejada, Puskas, Gento.

LEO BEENHAKKER . . . new man under pressure in Madrid.

JUVENTUS v REAL MADRID . . .

Boniperti calls for Euro-seeding system

Keir Radnedge reports

MEMORIES came flooding back the moment Emilio Butragueno shot Real Madrid into a first leg European Cup lead over Juventus.

The giants of Spain and Italy — record championship-winners in their own countries and both former world and European title-holders — would happily have waited until next May's final in Vienna.

As Madrid's Argentine World Cup star Jorge Valdano said: "It will be the star match not just of this round but of all those to come."

Juventus president Giampiero Boniperti went further. The man who has promised Liverpool £3 million next summer in return for the services of Ian Rush wants UEFA to improve the seeding system.

Boniperti said: "It's a pity that one of us will not reach the quarter-finals. They should change the way the Champions' Cup is organised. Something more like the World Cup seeding system is needed."

The coaches, the men who must plot this international game of chess, were more practical. Leo Beenhakker, the Dutchman new this summer to Madrid, said: "You have to take the draw as it comes. I'm a practical man. It's a tough one not only for us, but for them too. Anyway I'm not worrying about Juventus right now. I'm thinking only about our next league match."

Another parallel between the clubs is having taken new coaches on board in the past couple of months. Beenhakker, at Madrid, succeeded Luis Molowny, while Juventus are now under the orders of Rino Marchesi after a decade of success guided by Giovanni Trapattoni.

Marchesi, like Beenhakker, was resigned but practical, saying only: "The draw was not a lucky one for us. But, after all, we had expected to play Real sooner or later . . ."

Madrid and Juventus have met once before in Europe, also in the Champions' Cup, but in the quarter-finals back in the spring of 1962. Then, as now, Madrid were bidding to regain their crown; then, as now, Juventus were in search of their destiny.

In 1962 Madrid, inspired by those ageing veterans Alfredo Di Stefano from Argentina and Hungarian Ferenc Puskas, hoped to regain the Champions' Cup which had been theirs for five successive years until the autumn of 1960.

The original Juventus v Madrid 24 years ago was made by UEFA's Lady Luck, Monique Vero — who had paired Real unluckily with Barcelona in 1960-61.

Juventus were barely less daunting, coached by former international centre half, Carletto Parola, successor to the widely-travelled Cesarini. Perhaps, now that Giampiero Boniperti had retired, Juventus were not the force they once had been a year or two before, but . . .

With the brilliantly extravagant 26-year-old Enrique Omar Sivori, the Argentinian who was then European Footballer of the Year, at inside left; with the play-anywhere John Charles; not to mention speedy Bruno Mora, centre forward discovery Bruno Nicole — a £40,000 bargain from Padova — there was no doubt that the side who could call on the unseen elements would win. And by unseen elements I mean the favour and fervour of the crowds, the luck of the bounce, the fortune of perhaps a lucky refereeing decision.

The first leg in Turin was a dour war of attrition. Real held their strength deep in defence, while Juventus only rarely ventured out of their own catenaccio defensive block. One man shone above the rest, however, Di Stefano, masterminding the Real response to the Juventus forays as if controlling a chess board.

Juve had no one to take on the task of organising their team, in the way Di Stefano was tirelessly plotting their downfall. He wandered across the field, mostly in his own half, wherever the action was taking place.

A colleague would look up and pass to Di Stefano. And then this grand master would look for the chance to send either Canario or Gento winging their speedy way into Italian territory. At the apex of the arrow Puskas was waiting.

Juve had more of the ball but it was Real who often looked more threatening and purposeful and Del Sol, Puskas and Gento all had half chances which they couldn't take up. At the other end Araquistain made a fine save from Nicole when the Italians started to come out of their shell in the second half, although Pachin was dominating Sivori, who had been presented with his European Footballer of the Year award before the kick-off.

Sivori, like di Stefano a River Plate graduate (who cost Juve £91,000 in 1957) attacked Pachin behind the referee's back and got away with it and then Felo was injured. The game was getting tougher, but before the game lost its pattern altogether Real scored the only goal. In the 72nd minute del Sol picked up an aimless pass from Stacchin, found Puskas, and Di Stefano showed no sign of the injury which had kept him out of several league matches, as he galloped through the middle to beat Anzolin.

Real could go home happy — a very different journey from the one to Turin. Bad weather had forced their aircraft down at Nice and they had continued their trip in a train without heating.

With the second leg in Chamartin one week later it looked as if Real were more than halfway home and into the semi finals. But by the time the match came round the situation had altered slightly. On the Sunday before the return Pachin, Di Stefano and Del Sol were all injured.

What might be considered a disappointingly small crowd of 72,512 turned up to watch Real's formal entry into the semi-finals. But they soon realised Juventus had learned the lesson of Turin. With Garzena in defence Charles was released to play a midfield role, vacillating between defence and attack, his role in defence covered 20-year-old Bruno Mazzia on the occasions he decided to go up alongside Sivori and Nicole.

Juve had to attack from the start again and Real blatantly intended to hold the slender lead they had gained in Turin.

It was a scrappy match. Tempers were lost and the tackling was rough and bruising. Real allowed control to slip from their grasp. At a physical level both teams were equal and any result became possible.

After a few moments Di Stefano shot wide from 30 yards, and missed a fine chance on the half hour. Del Sol, playing only with the aid of pain-killing injections, was rarely to be seen, but for Juventus Sivori was back in top gear. In the 35th minute 24-year-old Gino Stacchini swung a long centre into the Real penalty area. Charles nodded it down and the exultant Sivori needed only to prod it gently to score with Araquistain hopelessly out of position.

The tenor of the match changed. Real threw themselves forward into wholehearted attack for the first time. Their casualness changed to confidence and then when goals failed to come, confidence changed to desperation. The second half deteriorated. Play was ragged, good football at a premium.

Charles had to go off injured briefly, and Felix Ruiz missed with a header; Gento found 25-year-old Benito Sarti a terrier at his heels and 20-year-old Giancarlo Bercellino commanded every high centre Real were unwise enough to sling towards Anzolin's goal. The match ended in silence. Real had, for the first time, lost a European Cup match on their own ground.

Both sides had 90 minutes in which to correct their errors and enhance their reputations: with the aggregate score 1-1 came a play-off in the old Parc des Princes in Paris.

Real had not dared risk Di Stefano in the previous weekend's league match and a team mainly made up of reserves had been beaten 2-1, while Juventus had put out their best team and been troubled to draw 2-2 with Internazionale. Then Real had been troubled by another blow from fate. Gento had been involved in a road accident in which a member of the Guardia Civil had been killed.

Real pulled all the strings to keep their skipper out of jail, but coach Miguel Munoz was doubtful right up to the last minute as to whether it would be wise to play his veteran winger.

Again the match was hard. But not dirty. Pachin and Santamaria tackled like granite to neutralise the hard work of Mazzia and skipper Charles in midfield for Juventus. Charles was superb throughout. But once again Real — not without a great deal of difficulty and not before their own strength had begun to sag — squeezed Sivori out of the match.

Real were also blessed with a magnificent start, scoring after only 35 seconds, with a move Real had planned to break down the close-marking tactics of the Italian defenders. Munoz knew that right from the first whistle Juve would assign men to Gento, Di Stefano, Puskas, Tejada and to a lesser extent del Sol. The one free man would be the nominal right half, Felo.

Again Real gained the advantage of surprise because Felo had missed the Madrid match through injury.

Real kicked off and switched play to the right. Del Sol found Di Stefano and he passed to Puskas who had run round on to the flank. As the Juventus defenders closed in warily for a killing tackle, the Hungarian steered a 35-yard pass through the defence. The ball went into Puskas's own inside left position, where Felo was racing into the penalty area at top speed to collect and shoot home past Anzolin.

Real retreated now and gave the initiative to Juventus in midfield. The Italians took their chances, dominating the ball, and equalised in the 36th minute when Sivori beat four men and drove home a vicious ground shot.

They went on applying the pressure and Santamaria brought down Charles as the Gentle Giant tried to force his way into the penalty box. Real were thankful that referee Schwinte awarded a free kick on the edge of the box.

The match was hard but still clean as Real swept back to slow the pace of the game and take control in the second half. The first reward came in the 66th minute when Del Sol scored another cleverly-planned goal, heading home a low Puskas free kick.

The final seal was set seven minutes from time by Tejada.

CHAMPIONS' CUP:2nd round

Anderlecht v Steaua Bucharest (holders)	3-0
Bayern Munich v FK Austria	2-0
Besiktas v APOEL Nicosia	w/o
Brondby v Dynamo Berlin	2-1
Celtic v Kiev Dynamo	1-1
Real Madrid v Juventus	1-0
Rosenborg Trondheim v Red Star Belgrade	0-3
Vitkovice v FC Porto	1-0

JUVENTUS
Founded: 1897.
Colours: Black and white stripes, white shorts.
Stadium: Stado Comunale (71,160).
Italian league: 22 times champions (record).
Italian cup: 7 times (record).
World Club Cup: 1985; runners-up 1973.
European Champions' Cup: 1985; runners-up 1973 and 1983.
Cup-winners' Cup: 1984.
UEFA/Fairs' Cup: 1977; runners-up 1965 and 1971.
Super Cup: 1984.
1985-86 Italian league title-winning appearances (subs)/goals. — Goal: Tacconi 30. Defenders: Favero 30/1, Brio 29/3, Scirea 25, Cabrini 30/2, Caricola 1(4), Pioli 7(7). Midfield: Bonini 22(4)/1, Manfredonia 22(1), Mauro 28/2, Platini 30/12, Pin 8(12)/1, Bonetti (2). Forwards: Briaschi 7(3)/2, Laudrup 29/7, Pacione 4(9), Serena 25/11.

P	W	D	L	For	Agt
76	40	15	21	123	71

CLUB FOCUS 1 . . . ANDERLECHT

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THERE was much, much more than revenge at stake as Anderlecht ran up a 3-0 first-leg lead in their battle to overthrow European champions Steaua Bucharest.

It was the surprise team from Rumania who knocked the Belgians out in last season's semi-finals when Arie Haan's men made the mistake of underrating their Bucharest rivals (just as Barcelona did in the final — to their cost).

Now Anderlecht dream not only of sweeping Steaua aside, but sweeping on to collect — at long last — the Champions' Cup crown which has eluded all their efforts.

If it is widely accepted that Barcelona are, perhaps, the greatest club side never to win the Cup, then the Parc Astrid club consider that their destiny remains equally unfulfilled.

The legendary Belgian club possess an aura matched only by the heavyweight European elite and they are as much a part of the rich tapestry of European club football as any of their illustrious rivals, having participated, albeit somewhat disastrously, in the inaugural Champions' Cup.

And, for the club founded on August 27, 1908, and who, in just two years time celebrate their 80th anniversary, there is no doubt that, in company with the great Spanish side, the ideal birthday gift for them would be the long cherished European Cup.

Anderlecht, whose famous mauve and white shirts are recognisable wherever they go, are nowadays renowned throughout the world, but the road to glory and status as one of the great European clubs, could scarcely have been imagined when the first humble steps were taken in the early years of the century.

Progression to eventual status in the national league came through the North Barbant regional divisions, yet it remains an astonishing fact that all the club's domestic honours — 19 championships and 5 cups — have been won since the war. But, as can be seen any scarcity of trophies prewar, was to be more than compensated for when normality returned after the great conflict. And, it was to be an Englishman, Bill Gormlie, a former Manchester City goalkeeper, who laid the foundations in the immediate postwar period.

Gormlie took over an manager just after the war ended and under his guidance, and a year later, in 1947, Anderlecht swept to their first national title. It was the beginning of a purple patch as Gormlie instigated a rise to power that was to lead to a marvellous hat-trick of titles between 1949 and 1951.

Although a couple of barren years followed, Anderlecht again won the championship in 1954 — the first of another triumvirate of successes. The mid-fifties were also to be a historic era for European soccer as the arrival of a continental trophy for national title holders changed for ever, the concept of the game.

Fortune, however, did not smile on Anderlecht, and they experienced only misery in their early forays. In 1955-56, there were home and away defeats against Voros Lobogo, though there was worse to come the following year, when, having held the legendary pre-Munich Manchester United to 2-0 in Brussels, they subsequently suffered their greatest ever humiliation in the return at Old Trafford, as United scored ten without reply.

By the time the club secured their seventh title in 1956, it was evident that the side were in decline. Changes were made and a year later, the club's greatest servant of that era, the powerhouse centre forward, Jef Mermens, finally retired.

Anderlecht's debt to the highly popular Mermens was enormous. He had been instrumental in the club's rise to power, scoring 212 goals in a career that included 37 goals in the 1949-50 season, a Belgian record that remains to this day. Belgian football then, was still mostly amateur, but Mermens' successor had already been discovered, in the form of the bespectacled Jef Jurion, a right winger who was, in time, to become one of the outstanding midfield players of his generation.

Another title in 1959, was soon followed by another early exit in the next season's Champions' Cup — against Glasgow Rangers; though it should be remembered that there was still a wide gulf between the hardened professionals of the British game and their fledgling counterparts in Belgium. But a new and glorious era was about to dawn for the Brussels club, one in which they would finally make their mark on the rest of Europe; and with it a new-found respect.

The significant occurrence came in 1961, when the club appointed as coach, the Frenchman, Pierre Sinibaldi, a former Reims star who had also played for the national team. Sinibaldi was to change radically, the formation of the side and though it took time to perfect, it was to pay handsome dividends.

Jurion's finely honed skills were brought into midfield and the comparative rarity of his wearing spectacles on the pitch did not prevent him from being the brilliant orchestrator of a fine side.

Anderlecht were then, a finely balanced mixture of youth and experience, but Sinibaldi's most important contribution was his subtle use of possession play and a four-in-a-line defence of Heylens, Verbiest, Lippens and Cornelis (all internationals), whose mastery of the offside trap brought a new dimension to a word game being stifled by en masse defensive strategies.

That was to be the Frenchman's legacy to the Brussels club, for long after he had departed and Verbiest had been killed in a car accident, the methods he instilled at Parc Astrid, continued to serve the club well in the manner that, in 1962, was responsible for the downfall of Real Madrid and led to banner headlines throughout Europe the following morning.

However, if the championship win in 1962, was proof of the effectiveness of Sinibaldi's methods — which took his players some six or seven months to become accustomed to, of even greater significance, not only for Anderlecht, but for the long-term good of Belgian football, was to be the mergence of a fair-haired genius named Paul van Himst.

Van Himst went on to become the nation's greatest-ever footballer, a powerful, but immensely skilful player, who began as a centre forward but later switched with devastating effect, to being a highly perceptive inside left. In short, he was the greatest blessing ever bestowed on the famous Brussels club.

In a sparkling career during which he was not averse to controversy, Van Himst was capped a record 81 times by Belgium and in addition, was three times the league's top scorer and four times Belgian Footballer of the Year. But, for Van Himst, Sinibaldi and Anderlecht, one glorious night was to stand out above all others as the club finally ended their truly undistinguished European record.

That was the night of September 22, 1962, and the occasion was a first round, second leg European Cup match against Real Madrid, who, only the previous May had been runners-up to Benfica in Amsterdam. Anderlecht had achieved a superb 3-3 draw in the cauldron of Bernabeu, but as a tense encounter in Brussels appeared to be heading towards extra-time, five minutes from the end Jurion cracked home the most vital goal of his career. It turned him into a hero overnight and, more importantly, Anderlecht in similar fashion captured the imagination of a continent.

In the quarter-finals, however, the British jinx struck again, and Dundee, a clever and more physical side ended any further thoughts of glory for another season.

Sadly, though Anderlecht were in later years to achieve the European success their predecessors sought, but could only dream of, the hero of that September night, Jurion, was to find only the ignominy of a sine die suspension, tarnishing a wonderful playing career by being implicated in a bribes scandal in the mid-seventies after he had turned to management.

The defeat of Madrid brought the club the respectability they had long sought and when they regained the championship in 1963-64, the club was on the brink of an unparalleled domination of the domestic game. It proved the first of five consecutive Belgian titles and by also winning the cup in 1965, for the first time, achieved a tremendous double, a feat then unique in Belgian soccer.

It was also to be the era of the foreign imports, as the club made an about turn and employed such stars as the Swedes, Ejderstadt and Nordahl, Bergholz and Muller from across the border in Holland and even an adaptable Congolese defender named Kialunda, gaining in the process a cosmopolitan reputation.

Yet, although they were learning in Europe, success continued to elude them. The European Cup, in particular, always seemed to have a little more than they could offer. They succumbed to Liverpool in 1964-65, and the following season, despite a record 10-1 win against the Finnish side Haka Valkeakovski, another epic two-legged tussle with Real Madrid, ended, on this occasion in a 4-3 aggregate defeat.

In the next two seasons, Czechoslovakian champions Dukla and Sparta Prague beat them home and away, although the 1968-69 season gave an indication of how much standards were improving in Belgium, as Anderlecht staged a superb fightback against Manchester United in Brussels. The 3-1 win was not quite enough to redress the balance, Anderlecht having lost 3-0 in Manchester.

The progress was further emphasised throughout the following season's European campaign. Domestically, the club was still in the doldrums as bitter rival Standard Liege, won the second of their three consecutive titles; but finally, European success came tantalisingly close to their grasp.

Competing in the Fairs Cup, Anderlecht disposed comfortably of Valur Reykjavik and Coleraine in the early rounds and then, in identical fashion, of Dunfermline and Newcastle United (the holders), as the recent introduction of the away goals rule counting double, came to their aid to end any feeling of inferiority against British clubs.

Furthermore, the character of the side was never to be better demonstrated than in the semi-final clash with Inter Milan, as Ander-

by Iain Macleod

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NAME	B'DAY	PREVIOUS CLUBS	LGE APPS		INTL CAPS (Oct 10)
Goalkeepers					
Munaron, Jacques	08.09.56	Dinant	222	7 A, 13 Esp., 5 Jun	8
Vekeman, Dirk	25.09.60	Rhodienne	25	1 Esp., 29 Jun.	—
De Schrijver, Hans	16.11.65	Liedekerke	—	—	—
Defender					
De Groote, Michel	18.10.55	Anderlecht, FC Liege	283	4 A, 1 Esp., 6 Jun.	4
Demol, Stephane	11.03.66	Drogenbos	18	9 A, 14 Jun.	10
Grun, Georges	25.01.62	—	94	21 A.	21
Janssen, Pierre	09.09.56	Opitter, Waterschei Thor	212	2 Olymp.	—
Andersen, Henrik	07.05.65	Fremad Amager	50	9 A, 8 Esp., 20 Jun	10 — Denmark
Van Tiggelen, Adrianus	16.06.57	Oud Beijerland, Sparta Rotterdam, Groningen	—	10 A, 2 Olymp.	10 — Holland
Marchoul, Guy	04.11.65	—	3	15 Jun.	—
Swinnen, Guido	28.06.57	Bocholter VV, Waterschei Thor, Beringen, Beerschot	211	7 Olmp.	—
Midfield					
Frimann-Hansen, Per	04.07.62	Akademisk BK, Kjobenhavns Boldklub (KB)	132	9 A	9 — Denmark
Gudjohnsen, Arnor	30.07.61	Vikingur Reykjavik, Lokeren	164	20 A, 10 Esp.	22 — Iceland
Lozano, Juan	30.08.55	Beerschot, Washington Diplomats Anderlecht, Real Madrid	—	—	—
Scifo, Vincenzo	19.02.66	Louvieroise	87	21 A	23
Vercauteren, Franky	28.10.56	—	333	54 A, 8 Esp., 12 Jun.	56
Wuyts, Marc	12.09.67	Olympic Stockel	—	22 Jun	—
Attack					
Kabongo, Eugene	03.11.60	Salongo, Mokanda, Onatra, Kalamu, Matonge, Seresien, RC Paris	27	25 A	25 — Zaire
Krncevic, Edvard	14.08.60	Corio Geelong, Croatia Melbourne, Marconi Sydney, Dyn Zagreb, MSV Duisburg, Cercle Brugge	45	47 A	47 — Australia
Nilis, Luc	25.05.67	Halvenweg Zonhoven, Wintersiag	—	23 Jun	—
Mortensen, Hendrik	12.02.68	Aarhus	6	1A, 18 Jun.	1 — Denmark

lecht staged a marvellous, but surprising fightback in the second leg at San Siro, to win 2-0, and cancel out the Milanese club's single goal victory in Brussels.

In the two-legged final, Anderlecht were almost unstoppable against Arsenal in Brussels and the 3-1 scoreline was more than a little flattering to their North London opponents. But in the return match at Highbury, even Anderlecht's formidable defence, which had served them so well throughout a marvellous run, finally cracked under severe pressure and Kelly's first-half goal was just the spur Arsenal needed to go on to win 3-0, thus securing their first European trophy, a trophy that, for so long, had seemed destined for Parc Astrid.

Lean times followed in Europe, and in subsequent seasons there were early exits against Vitoria Setubal and Bologna; although the Belgian title was regained in 1972: Anderlecht were on the verge of their greatest era.

What changed fortunes at Parc Astrid, was the appointment of Constant Vandenstock, as club president in 1971, and whose influence since then has been such that, today, the stadium in which Anderlecht play now bears his name. Vandenstock had played for the club's reserve side in his youth, but in essence, he was more involved in commerce and he went on to become one of Belgium's most prosperous businessmen, by running Belle Vue, a large brewery whose products were, through time, to become the distinctive symbol on Anderlecht's shirts when advertising was legalised in Belgium.

Vandenstock had been on the board of directors since 1958, but after he became president, he altered the thinking within the club and began a concentrated effort — to devastating effect — aimed at luring to Anderlecht the cream of Dutch talent.

Anderlecht again completed the double in 1972, but found Spartak Trnava, then one of the continent's leading sides, all too much in the European Cup, losing by a single goal home and away. There was still much to be done and retaining the Belgian Cup the following year led only to another fleeting appearance in Europe, as FC Zurich ended their hopes on the away goals rule.

The club's 16th championship, in 1974, should have marked the beginning of a long-term domination of the domestic game; yet it remains a perplexing mystery as to why in the midst of some remarkable European success, Anderlecht five times runners-up in Belgium, and sad that, the club's finest ever team never got the opportunity to play in the European Cup.

But as the club again won the cup in 1975, and with a new era on the horizon, so too, another era drew to a close, as Paul van Himst, the club's greatest ever servant departed across the city to Racing White, in sadly controversial circumstances (though he returned two years later to look after the youth team).

Another year, and he too, might have played a part in the club's finest hour. By then two Dutchmen, midfield general Arie Haan, and Robby Rensenbrink, an elusive winger, had become the dominant factors in a side destined for three successive appearances in the European Cup Winners Cup final.

The club's first ever European trophy was won in the Heysel Stadium . . . in Brussels, in a marvellously entertaining final against West Ham United, that lacked nothing, but where the final outcome, 4-2 for Anderlecht, with Rensenbrink scoring twice, was justifiable reward for a club who, at one stage, appeared destined never to win a European trophy.

It was the beginning of a golden era for the club, but despite a crushing home and away defeat of Bayern Munich, in the European Super Cup, the remarkably talented outfit coach Raymond Goethals had at his disposal, lacked consistency and the title continued to be an elusive commodity.

Goethals, after a ten-year spell at the helm of the national side, had taken over from Dutchman, Hans Croon, just before the initial European triumph, yet it is ironic that, although he moulded a side feared throughout Europe, the cup triumph in 1976 was Anderlecht's last on the domestic front until 1981.

They didn't have it altogether their own way in Europe either, but they managed to survive several scares the following season, to defend their trophy, unsuccessfully, as it transpired, in a 2-0 defeat by Hamburg, in the final in Amsterdam.

In Paris, twelve months later, they made amends in superb fashion, with a glorious attacking display that brought the Cup Winners Cup back to Brussels, as Anderlecht stylishly outplayed the unfortunate FK Austria, to the tune of 4-0.

The following season, however, the club's fortunes turned dramatically, when, having demolished Barcelona 3-0, on a torrid and brutal second round, first leg match at Parc Astrid, they then forgot all about football in the return leg and as the Catalans won 3-0, Anderlecht were to exit as the Spaniards won the penalty competition 4-1.

Matters were no better on the domestic front. But as Goethals departed and the Yugoslav coach, Tomislav Ivic, was appointed to the hot seat, in 1981, he was to guide the club to their first title success since 1974. Ivic, however, was an archdeacon of defensive football. He was also highly unpopular as the once-great attacking football played by the club became just a memory and Anderlecht soon came to be regarded as one of Europe's most boring outfits.

A bitterly disappointing exit against Aston Villa, in the Champions' Cup semi-final, did nothing to enhance Ivic's reputation, and Vandenstock, increasingly frustrated, sacked him, and turned to Van Himst. The club's name was such that the top European players were at their back and call, and Van Himst undoubtedly restored respectability and a measure of success, highlighted by a superb UEFA Cup triumph in 1983.

That came in Lisbon, where on a blamy night against another of the all-time greats, Benfica, the Parc Astrid outfit, having won 1-0 in Brussels, secured a hard earned 1-1 draw in the second leg, Lozano's 39th minute goal ensuring Anderlecht's third European trophy.

Yet, in the fashion of the mid-1970s, while the club went on to lose the following season's UEFA Cup only on penalties against Tottenham, in the final, no domestic honours came Van Himst's way and soon after the new season got under way he found himself in troubled waters.

All this despite a wonderful UEFA Cup performance which saw Anderlecht thrash Italy's Fiorentina, 6-2 in Brussels. Then, it all went wrong: another marvellous display, 3-0 against old adversaries Real Madrid in Brussels, was followed by a unimaginable nightmare a fortnight later at Bernabeu, as Madrid recalled memories of a better era and won, quite astonishingly, 6-1, in what was one of the greatest European comebacks of all time.

From that traumatic experience, however, Anderlecht recovered well and swept to the title by eleven points. Van Himst's position appeared to be secure enough; after all, he had won, albeit in different season, domestic and European honours, but the euphoria was not to last.

Three months into the new season and serious cracks appeared. By Christmas, with his charges five points adrift of Brugge, the writing was on the wall, and as Vandenstock played executioner again, he sacked Van Himst, and brought in as coach, Arie Haan, another of the club's great servants and who, had done surprisingly well in his first season as coach at Antwerp.

Haan brought stability to the club and revitalised their fortunes to such an extent, that, after a stirring tussle with Brugge, Anderlecht not only redressed the five-point deficit, but went on to win the title. A 2-2 draw in Brussels was followed by a 3-3 draw in Brugge, sufficient to give Anderlecht their 19th title — a record — on the away goals rule.

A passport to the European Cup was especially important as the previous December, the club had been shown to have enormous tax problems (over half a million pounds) and the major club tournament would provide much needed revenue. The only disappointment that season was the thrashing in Bucharest, against Steaua, that again denied Anderlecht a place in the Champions' Cup final.

CLUB FOCUS 2 . . . FC SION

by Keir Radnedge

SWISS EFFICIENCY

COPING with British opposition can be a problem for players from the more technical sectors of continental soccer; the lessons may take a little while to sink in before they can be applied with ultimate success.

The possibilities are then tremendous — as FC Sion have just found.

In the preliminary round of the Cup-winners' Cup four years ago they were beatem out of sight by Aberdeen, the competition's eventual winners. Sion crashed 7-0 in Scotland and 4-1 at home.

But their aptitude for soccer study was there for all Europe to see when this homely little Swiss club turned the tables on this same Aberdeen in the first round of this season's competition. Again the first leg was in Scotland but this time Sion even led 1-0 from the 40th to the 73rd minute and were then only unluckily beaten by a goal ten minutes from time. The return was quickly a formality once Jim Leighton had fumbled an own goal in the fifth minute. Further strikes from Morocco's Aziz Bouderbala and Swiss international Jean-Paul Brigger just emphasised how Sion have stepped up their game in four years.

That success brought a pairing with Poland's GKS Katowice in the second round and the wide-open prospect of further progress to the quarter-finals next spring. Indeed, if they maintain their current form in the league as well, they could even be in the Champions' Cup next season.

Surprising? Not if you glance at their record. Sion have a remarkable record as cup fighters. Over the past 21 years they have not only appeared in the Swiss cup final on five occasions but won every time. In 1965 they defeated Servette of Geneva 2-1; in 1974 they beat Neuchatel Xamax 3-2; in 1980 they beat Young Boys Bern by 2-1; in 1982 they beat Basel 1-0; and last season they defeated favourites Servette again by 3-1.

Sion are not a rich club, dominated by famous names. They are, instead, a club run on steady, economical lines where the success of a typically efficient Swiss management style under long-serving president Andre Luisier is reflected in player loyalty.

Coach Jean-Claude Donze, who has been in charge for the past five years, was Sion's goalkeeper in the 1970s. And even star players such as Georges Bregy and Jean-Paul Brigger, who were tempted away by the richer, more fashionable clubs, soon came home.

Sion, founded in 1909, play their home matches in the picturesque Tourbillon stadium, with its 13,000 capacity — which is usually more than big enough, since the club's average crowd even during the past few successful years has rarely risen above 6,000.

FC SION
Founded: 1909
Colours: White/red
Stadium: Tourbillon (13,000)
Swiss league: —
Swiss Cup: 1965, 1974, 1980, 1982, 1986.

The club's success story dates back only as far as 1962-63, when they first reached the first division and broke into the mainstream of Swiss football. Sion did so thanks to the experience of veteran Servette cast-offs such as Meylan, Georgy and Lev Mantula — so it was ironic that their first-ever major triumph should have been to beat Servette in the 1965 cup final.

Sion possessed another remarkable player: a Yugoslav goalkeeper named Blagoje Vidinic. A Belgrade university medical graduate, he played in the finals of the inaugural 1960 European championships in France, and later managed Morocco (in 1970) and Zaire (in 1974) to the unprecedented success of appearances in the World Cup finals. But not even Vidinic's experience was enough when Sion made their European bow in the 1965-66 Cup-winners' Cup.

In the second round Sion were drawn against the formidable East Germans of Magdeburg. They had no luck. It took Sion's freezing squad 15 hours to reach Magdeburg in a train in which the heating unit failed. Then, when player-coach Mantula came to name his side, injuries forced him, reluctantly, to pick himself. Veteran 1962 World Cup winger Eschmann was barely even half-fit, but had to play too.

Sion had lost their previous three games in Switzerland by 4-1 and been knocked out of the cup, in front of their own fans, by a minor league club. All in all, the outlook was grim . . . and grimmer still when Magdeburg led 3-1 at half-time and 8-1 at the final whistle. A 2-2 draw back in Switzerland was no use, of course, and out they went, 10-3 on aggregate.

It was then eight years before Sion returned to Europe and again were soon eliminated: this time 0-3, 3-1 by the Italian club, Lazio. But at least by now the club's domestic success was helping attract some promising youngsters. Players such as Umberto Barberis, Serge Trinchero and Pierre Valentini went on to become pillars of the national team.

Barberis, later a key player with Servette and then a French champion with Monaco, was a star of the 1974 cup-winning team alongside player-manager Otto Luttrop, a West German centre-back who earned the nickname "Atom Otto" with the goals which helped take München to the 1965 Cup-winners' Cup final.

Sion could not hope to hold on to their young stars but before Barberis left, his midfield partnership with Luttrop guided the club to their 3-2 cup final victory over Neuchatel-Xamax in 1974 — and now Sion fancied their chances of European progress . . . especially when the Cup-winners' Cup paired them with Sweden's Malmo for starters.

The Swiss, now featuring a slim young sharpshooter named Franco Cuccinotta, lost only 1-0 in Sweden. But back in Switzerland only an 82nd-minute goal for Cuccinotta fell their way and, after extra time, they lost on penalties. The crowd of 9,400 — more than twice their average — went home disappointed.

It has, however, been Sion's good fortune over the years to have benefited from the experience and skill of a succession of fine coaches. When Luttrop left, he was succeeded by Daniel Jeandupeux, a former Swiss international winger whose career had been curtailed by injury. He brought a famous name, obvious knowledge of the game, a wealth of enthusiasm and the priceless addition of good luck. Indeed, these are the qualities which have seen Jeandupeux progress now to the post of Swiss manager.

Now Jeandupeux has the pick of the nation. But while he was at Sion the club's resources were stretched so thin for a 1979-80 Swiss cup-tie against Grasshoppers of Zurich that Jeandupeux was forced to name himself among the substitutes. Not only that, but injuries demanded that he enter the match. And, to complete the fairy story, it was Jeandupeux who converted the decisive penalty with which Sion won 5-4 in a shoot-out after a 3-3 draw.

With Brigger now emerging as a dangerous striker and the Czech exile Marian Cernicky providing skilled support in midfield, Sion were once more threatening the big clubs. Jeandupeux was able to revert to a non-playing role, confident in the increasing ability of his staff to see Sion through to success in the cup final, where they beat Young Boys 2-1.

To underline the value of that achievement, Young Boys were playing the final on their own home ground of the Wankdorf stadium. Goals from Alain Balet and Guy Mathesz (formerly Servette and later the Geneva club's coach) did the trick to complete a marvellous first season in management for Jeandupeux . . . who was immediately lured away to FC Zurich.

Relations between the two clubs were not at their best then. One of the reasons was an incident in a league match at Sion when a bottle hurled from the crowd struck Zurich's Gianpietro Zappa on the head and sent the Swiss international centre-back to hospital suffering from concussion.

Sion collected a relatively small £1,500 fine from the SFV, the Swiss federation, for it was acknowledged that their crowds are among the best-behaved in the country. Sion actually won the match against Zurich 3-2 and no amount of protests by Zurich could change that. The SFV explained in a statement that there was no proof the bottle had been thrown by a Sion supporter; but Sion could be fined for not keeping order in their own stadium.

Sion went on to win the cup and then again in 1982 — beating Basel 1-0 in Bern again — before the Cup-winners' Cup preliminary round provided that 11-2 aggregate defeat by Aberdeen.

CUP-WINNERS' CUP: 2nd round

Ajax v Olympiakos Piraeus	4-0
Benfica v Bordeaux	-
GKS Katowice v Sion	2-2
Rapid Vienna v Lokomotiv Leipzig	1-1
17 Nentori v FF Malmö	0-3
Torpedo Moscow v Stuttgart	2-0
Vitosha Sofia v Velez Mostar	2-0
Zaragoza v Wrexham	0-0

THE MANAGER

Jean-Claude DONZE. Aged 38. Local man who has been club coach since taking over from Oscar Arce — an Argentine who played briefly for Aston Villa in the 1960s — in 1981. Donze played for FC Tramelen and Chaux-de-Fonds before joining Sion in time to collect a Swiss cup-winners' medal in 1974 after the 3-2 victory over Neuchatel Xamax when Sion landed the trophy for the second time. Donze learned a great deal about both goalkeeping and coaching from Blagoje Vidinic during the former Yugoslav international's spell in charge. After retiring, Donze joined the coaching staff and trained the youth and reserve teams before succeeding Arce.

Originally an insurance salesman, Donze remembered the first meeting and was ready for the repeat. He says: "I told my players we had to keep the ball on the ground. The higher it went the easier we would make things for Aberdeen." Donze felt that Aberdeen were lucky in this season's first leg to benefit from the equalising penalty.

THE PLAYERS

Pierre-Marie PITTIER. Goalkeeper. Aged 31. His finest match was the 1982 cup final when Pittier's brilliance defended Sion's 1-0 advantage over Basel in Bern. Pittier admitted later that he was so nervous before the game he tried to get off the team bus as it was pulling away from the hotel to leave for the stadium. His place had been in doubt before this season's Aberdeen tie, but he recovered both form and confidence with a fine display at Pittodrie.

Jean-Marc MATHIEU. Goalkeeper. Aged 29.

Alain BALET. Stopper. Aged 30/1 cap for Switzerland, gained in a 3-2 defeat by West Germany in Basel in 1980. Balet has a remarkable Swiss cup final record. He has played in three finals, finished on the winning side each time and scored four goals. It was Balet who scored the first goal in the 2-1 win over Young Boys in 1980, Balet who scored the solitary goal which won the 1982 final against Basel and then Balet who scored twice in last season's 3-1 defeat of Servette.

Michel SAUTHIER. Sweeper. Aged 20. Intelligent player with a big responsibility on the pitch for deciding how and when to vary Sion's tactics between defence in depth, when he drops to sweeper, and the offside trap, when he moves up in to the line.

Olivier REY. Right-back. Aged 21. Gave away the first penalty against Aberdeen.

Slobodan ROJEVIC. Left-back. Aged 28/6 caps for Yugoslavia. Signed this summer from Partizan Belgrade and quickly impressed with his attacking play from full-back.

Francois REY. Defender. Aged 20.

Daniel BURN. Defender. Aged 22.

Vincent FOURNIER. Left-back. Aged 25.

Paul BRANTSCHEN. Midfield. Aged 21.

Yves DEBONNAIRE. Midfield. Aged 30. Scored a superb goal from 25 yards to keep Sion ahead for more than half an hour in the first leg against Aberdeen.

Alvaro LOPEZ. Midfield. Aged 29. Born in Spain but brought up in Switzerland. The only survivor in the squad of the Sion team which beat Neuchatel 3-2 to win the cup in 1974 — when Alvaro was still only 17.

Bernard PERRIER. Midfield. Aged 29.

Blaise PIFFARETTI. Midfield. Aged 20.

Georges BREGY. Midfield. Aged 21/28 caps for Switzerland. Began with junior club FC Raron then made his name with Sion but moved to Young Boys of Bern after finishing as top league scorer with 23 goals in 1983-84. Led Young Boys last season to their first league title in 20 years but returned to Sion this summer, much to Young Boys' disappointment: the transfer fee had to be settled by an independent tribunal at £150,000. Bregy made his international debut against Poland two years ago and scored a brilliant long-range goal which earned a 1-1 draw against then World Cup-holders Italy later that year in a Lausanne friendly. Said he was considering retiring from the national team after being left out of the squad for the recent friendly against Austria.

Stefano ALBERTONI. Midfield. Aged 21.

Jean-Paul BRIGGER. Striker. Aged 28/28 caps for Switzerland. Reliable goalscorer who was third, with 18 goals, in the overall first division lists last season (top league scorer was Steen Thychosen of Lausanne with 21). Brigger began his career with minor clubs FC St Niklaus and FC Visp before moving into senior soccer with Sion. He became club captain before being transferred in 1982 to Servette, with whom he was the league's top scorer with 23 goals the following season. But, like many Sion players who try their luck away, Brigger could not settle in Geneva and returned "home" after three years. Made his international debut against East Germany in 1979 and has carried the weight of the national team's attack since injuries ruled out former Grasshoppers' star Claudio Sulser. Brigger has won more caps than any other player in Sion's history. A skiing fanatic when not playing football.

AZIZ BOUDERBALA . . . back to fitness in time to inspire Sion's victory over Aberdeen.

Christophe BONVIN. Forward/midfield. Aged 21. Scored Sion's decisive third goal in last season's 3-1 cup final defeat of Servette.

Aziz BOUDERBALA. Forward. Aged 26/42 caps for Morocco, for whom he starred in the World Cup finals in Mexico despite a mysterious knee injury. Began with WAC of Casablanca in 1977 and was sold to Sion three years ago. Could not get used to the weather and the cold in Switzerland at first, but is now one of the biggest, crowd-pullers in the Swiss league. Scored two important goals in the World Cup qualifying rounds to help Morocco to Mexico and then played in all their four matches in the finals — including the 1-0 second-round defeat by eventual runners-up West Germany. After the finals Bouderbala was sent by the Moroccan federation — apparently at the suggestion of the king! — for an operation in Paris on his knee injury. Sion officials, worried when he did not turn up for pre-season training, learned about the operation only afterwards. He returned to Switzerland, and fitness, just in time to take a starring role against Aberdeen.

Dominique CINA. Forward. Aged 24/11 caps for Switzerland. Former under-21 international who was promoted to the first-team squad originally by Donze — who had had Cina under his wing when Donze was reserve team coach. Played previously for minor club FC Salgesch. Cina is a bank clerk who was the league's top scorer in 1984-85 with 24 goals. Made his international debut as a substitute in a 4-0 defeat by Spain in 1984.

Bertrand PRAZ. Forward. Aged 21.

CLUB FOCUS 3 . . . IFK GOTHENBURG

SWEDISH CROWN PASSPORT TO EUROPEAN CUP

by Keir Radnedge

THE BATTLE for a passport into the next round of the UEFA Cup is one thing. But lately that has taken second place in the priority list with IFK Gothenburg.

Even more important has been the battle for supremacy in this year's Swedish Championship . . . because that, of course, provides the passport into the most lucrative competition of all, next season's European Champions' Cup.

The weekend after IFK had confirmed their presence in the second round of the UEFA Cup, by completing the 5-1 aggregate dismissal of little-known Czech club Sigma Olomouc, they were winding up their Swedish league campaign with a defeat by 1-0 at home to old rivals Malmö FF.

It could have been disastrous. After all, IFK began that last game second in the table with only Malmö ahead of them. But in fact IFK were four points adrift anyway so victory would have meant little.

Sweden, however, has been experimenting over the past few years with a play-off system at the end of the league campaign. Thus IFK's title hopes are still alive. To finish second in the league meant only that they qualified to play Norrköping in the play-off semi-final . . . with the prospect of meeting Malmö or AIK Stockholm in the final.

Thus IFK had only half a mind to spare when the second round UEFA Cup draw matched them with the East German European newcomers of Stahl Brandenburg. Top priority had to be the attempt to regain the Swedish crown surrendered to Orgryte last season after IFK had won the title for the three previous, consecutive years.

It was in 1982 that, in an attempt to halt a decline in attendances, it was decided to split the championship into two stages: first a regular league campaign, then a play-off system with the top clubs playing off on a knock-out basis. Thus IFK won the championship in both 1983 and 1984 despite not finishing top of the table. Last year they only just squeezed into the play-offs on the last day of the league season thanks to a penalty converted by Stefan Pettersson after a foul on the IFK Angels' star player, Torbjörn Nilsson. They went on to reach the play-off final before losing, surprisingly, 2-4, 3-2 against Orgryte.

Nilsson was the ageing golden boy of Swedish football, who had enjoyed two spells in the full-time professional ranks. The first was in Holland where he joined PSV Eindhoven (Nilsson left Swedish football in style with a hat-trick against Halmstad in his last game) then with Kaiserslautern in West Germany.

He moved into the Bundesliga in the wake of IFK's 1982 UEFA Cup triumph having been almost single-handedly responsible for the Lauterers' elimination in the semi-finals. Former IFK Coach Bjorn Westerberg once said that Nilsson's presence "could make all the difference between reasonable success in Europe and going all the way to the final."

He was very nearly right.

Nilsson scored five goals in the Champions' Cup-tie against Avenir Beggen two seasons ago and then, after several years' self-imposed exile, made a return to national team duty in the last World Cup qualifiers. He said it was "only because Dan Corneliusson isn't fit," but despite his apparent reluctance he managed one beautiful solo goal in the 3-1 over eventual qualifiers Portugal which gave Sweden vain hope of going to Mexico.

Just to prove the hat-trick habit was no flash in the pan he scored two last autumn — one against Fenerbahce in the Champions' Cup and the other against AIK in the league. So clearly his decision to retire earlier this year was a major blow to IFK and to their many fans — for IFK are the club with the biggest following in Sweden.

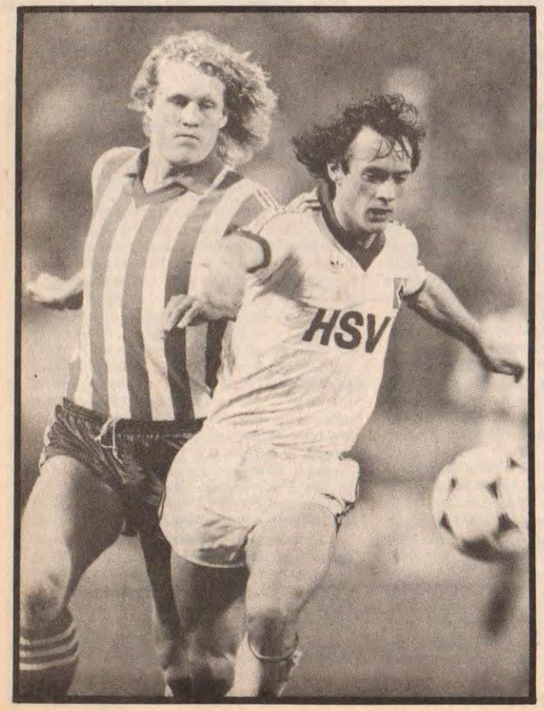
The initials stand for Idrottsforeningen Kamraterna and they have competed in all but eight of the 62 first division seasons since 1924. Even before then they took three Swedish titles in 1908, 1910 and 1918 — in the days when the city of Gothenburg first dominated Swedish football.

Founded in 1904, IFK have won the championship crown on ten occasions and the cup three times. Surprisingly it was not until 1979 that IFK first won the cup and then they made up for all those blank years by thrashing Atvidaberg 6-1 in the final.

IFK draw the biggest attendances in Sweden with an average of around 12,000 for home games in a country where gates slumped so badly that the play-off system was evolved to try to revitalise the domestic game and crowd figures. The club's comparative popular success against the overall trend is down to their reputation for playing entertaining, if erratic, football.

For example, after winning the league in 1969 they were immediately relegated and it took them six years to return to the top flight.

Once they had got back up, the club invested heavily in experience. National team stars Ove Kindvall, Bjørn Nordqvist, Ralf Edstrøm and Torbjørn Nilsson were all brought back from professional football in Holland.



IFK GOTHENBURG
Founded: 1904
Colours: Blue and white stripes/blue
Stadium: Ullevi (52,000)
Swedish chp: 10 times champions
Swedish cup: 1979, 1982, 1983

THE COACH

GUNDER BENGTSSON. Now in his second spell as team manager at IFK. He first came to the club in 1980 as assistant to Sven-Goran Eriksson, then was promoted to succeed him after Eriksson left for Benfica immediately after the UEFA Cup triumph in May, 1982. At the end of the 1982 season, however, Bengtsson left to take up a long-standing job offer with Valerengen of Oslo. He guided them twice to the Norwegian league title, then returned to IFK to succeed Bjørn Westerberg at the start of last year.

THE PLAYERS

Thomas WERNERSSON. Goalkeeper. Aged 30/9 caps for Sweden. Signed from Atvidaberg in 1981. Good reflexes but not so reliable when he has to come out for crosses. Often credited as the man who "won" the UEFA Cup for IFK with his display against Hamburg in West Germany in 1982. In last year's Champions' Cup quarter-final first leg against Panathinaikos it was Wernersson's foul which gave away the decisive penalty and the only goal. Wernersson was booked for his protest by referee Brian McGinlay and was shown the yellow card again at the end for continuing his complaint after the final whistle. That technical expulsion meant IFK were without him for the return in Athens.

Ove TOBIASSON. Goalkeeper. Aged 23. Inexperienced but talented — as he proved in the quarter-final second leg against Panathinaikos last year, making several fine saves despite all the excitable pressure being exerted by 80,000 Greek fans in the Olympic Stadium in Athens.

Ruben SVENSSON. Right back. Aged 32. Player of international quality who always refused to play for the national team. Missed the first half of last season because of injury and has not been able to regain his place.

Stig FREDRIKSSON, Left back. 29/51. For years Sweden's first-choice left back under recently-departed national manager Lars Arnesson and continuing under new boss Olle Nordin. Played his 50th international in the recent 2-0 win over Switzerland. Strong in the tackle and hard to get past. Likes to support the attack and scored one of IFK's UEFA Cup Final-winning goals in Hamburg in 1982. Signed from Vasteras.

Roland NILSSON. Right back. 22/6. Former youth international whom IFK signed from Helsingborgs IF and has secured a place in the national squad this year with his fine displays for his club since being converted from midfield.

Ulf CARLGREN. Centre back. Aged 24. Signed a year ago from third division Falu BS (from whom IFK had earlier bought international striker Mats Gren) and can also stand in at right back if needed. Height makes him useful in the air.

Glenn SCHILLER. Right back or midfield. Aged 24. Under-21 international and one of the most promising defenders in Swedish football. Has already come under scrutiny from several full-time professional western European clubs.

Dennis SCHILLER. Full back. Aged 20. IFK youth product and younger brother of Glenn Schiller.

Glenn HYSEN. Sweeper. 26/39. Signed for IFK originally from minor neighbours Warta in 1978 and played 17 times for Sweden at youth level. Hysen then forced the experienced Reine Almqvist out of the first team a year later and was one of the pillars of the team which defeated Hamburg — with whom, ironically, he had once had a trial — in the 1982 UEFA Cup Final. Italian club Verona were interested at one stage before, after being voted Footballer of the Year, he was sold to PSV Eindhoven of Holland at the end of 1983. Found it hard to settle and appeared in both midfield and the centre of defence before IFK brought him home at the end of last year. Made a notable return to IFK's team for the wrong reason when he was sent off, along with veteran West German centre-forward Dieter Müller, in a 3-0 pre-season victory over Saarbrücken early this year.

Peter LARSSON, Central defender. 24/10. Finest young defender in Sweden, signed by IFK for £70,000 to fill the gap originally left by the transfer of Hysen to PSV. Larsson, who can also play in midfield, was previously with Halmstad. The £70,000 fee was a Swedish record which stood until IFK paid Glasgow Rangers £130,000 last summer for midfielder Robert Prytz.

Stefan KULLBERG. Centre back. Aged 25. Former under-21 international. Signed from Atvidaberg in 1982 to replace experienced veteran Conny Karlsson, when the latter left IFK to join the now-defunct Toronto Blizzard in the North American Soccer League.

Jerry CARLSSON. Midfield. Aged 31. Former under-23 international. Skilful and experienced with a good shot who was surprisingly overlooked by recently-departed national team boss Lars Arnesson.

Tord HOLMGREN. Midfield. 28/25. From Polokournas, a small village in Lappland, near the Arctic Circle. Brother of fellow IFK and Sweden star, Tommy. Tord is the elder, an aggressive and inspiring player. He has been called the "Swedish Billy Bremner." Joined IFK from third division Gällivare.

Torbjorn LUNDBLAD. Midfield. Aged 21. Youth international. IFK youth product.

Stefan PETTERSSON. Forward. 22/5. Signed two years ago from Norrköping, whom IFK then thrashed in the 1984 championship final play-off. Has a good left foot and has scored some important goals — including the penalty which allowed IFK to squeeze into the 1985 championship play-offs on the last day of the regular league campaign.

Johnny EKSTRØM. Forward. 20/7. Now playing out his last few games with IFK before completing a £600,000 transfer to newly-promoted Italian club Empoli. Ekstrom had been the target of a string of European clubs and attracted spies from Liverpool, Barcelona, Anderlecht, Feyenoord and Ajax. Aberdeen were favourites to sign him, but the day after scoring the winning goal for Sweden against England in September he flew to Italy for talks with Empoli. The transfer was completed a fortnight later on condition that Ekstrom should see the Swedish season out with IFK.

Tommy HOLMGREN. Midfield or left wing. 26/27. Arrived at IFK with elder brother Tord in 1977 from Gällivare in the third division. One of Sweden's most unpredictable players. Good with his head and a free kick specialist. Dribbling skills have earned him comparison with the 1950s' star Lennart Skoglund. Nils Liedholm, Swedish coach to Italian club Milan, recommended him to Cremonese, then just promoted to the first division, in 1984. But when IFK set a £400,000 price tag on his head they backed off.

UEFA CUP: 2nd round

Vitoria Guimaraes v Atletico Madrid	2-0
Barcelona v Sporting Lisbon	1-0
Beveren v Athletic Bilbao	3-1
Dukla Praha v Bayer Leverkusen	0-0
Dundee Utd. v Un. Craiova	3-0
Borussia Mönchengladbach v Feyenoord	5-1
Sportul v Gent	0-3
Glasgow Rangers v Boavista	
Groningen v Neuchatel Xamax	0-0
Hajduk Split v Trakia Plovdiv	3-1
IFK Gothenburg v Stahl Brandenburg	2-0
Legia Warsaw v Internazionale	3-2
Torino v Raba ETO Gyor	4-0
Toulouse v Spartak Moscow	3-1
Tirol v Standard Liege	2-1
Widzew Lodz v Bayer Uerdingen	0-0

GLORY days of '82 . . . IFK's captain Glenn Stromberg holds aloft the UEFA Cup (above) and action from the final (left) with Hakan Sandberg challenging Hamburg's Bernd Wehmeyer.

European Cups special

CHAMPIONS' CUP (1986-7)
First rnd, first legs (all Sep 17)

Anderlecht 2 (Gudjohnsen 26, Scifo 36 pen)
Gornik 0
HT: 2-0. Att: 11,000. **Ref:** Silva Valente (Por)

Anderlecht: Munaron — Van Tiggelen, Grun, Demol, Swinnen — Lozano, Scifo, Andersen, Janssen — Gudjohnsen, Kabongo (Nilis 70).

Gornik: Wandzik — Grembocki, Leznik, Kostrzewa, Damkowski — Majka, Matysik, Piotrowicz — Urban, Palasz, Iwan.

Anderlecht forced the pace in a repeat of a Champions' Cup-tie which thrilled Europe 20 years ago. Icelandic striker Arnor Gudjohnsen opened the score with a close-range volley. Then a through ball from Georges Grun caught the Polish defence square and when Zaire forward Kabongo was brought down, Enzo Scifo converted the penalty. Spanish-born Juan Lozano was superb in midfield for Anderlecht and also hit the post. In the 70th minute Guido Swinnen collected a Scifo pass and went past goalkeeper Wandzik but shot wide of an open goal.

APOEL Nicosia 1 (Ian Moores 15 pen)
HJK Helsinki 0
HT: 1-0. Att: 12,000. **Ref:** Kolev (Bul)

Avenir Beggen 0
FK Austria 3 (Drabits 14, Frind 67, Polster 71)
HT: 0-1. Att: 474. **Ref:** Peduzzi (Swz)

Avenir: Koch — Meunier, Jentgen, Thiry, Wolf, Girres, Jank, Schreiner, Wallendorf (Milillo 80), Mertes (Hauben 74), Malget.

FK Austria: Wolhfahrt — Frind, Obermayer, Degeorgi — Steiger, Prohaska, Glatzmayer, Türmer, Ogris, Drabits (Jessenitschnig 70), Polster.

Beroe Stara Zagora 1 (Bonchev 88 pen)
Kiev Dynamo 1 (Mikhailichenko 50)
HT: 0-0. Att: 12,000. **Ref:** Germankos (Gr)

Beroe: Ganchev — Iliev (Mitev 68), Tenev, Nedev, Sivriev, Minchev, Donev (Demirev 78), Bonchev, Kashmirov, Dinev, Dragolov.

Kiev: Chanov — Bessonov, Goriliye, Kuznetsov, Demianenko, Rats, Mikhailichenko (Evseyev 87), Bal, Zavarov, Yevtushenko (Sherbakov 78), Blokhin.

A late penalty saved the Bulgarians against the holders of the Cup-winners' Cup.

Besiktas 2 (Ziya Dogan 49, Riza Calimbay 74 pen)
Dinamo Tirana 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 23,000. **Ref:** Scheurell (EG)

Besiktas: Jurkovic — Hüsamettin, Ulvi, Samet, Ali — Riza, Gökhan, Ziya — Metin, Paprica, Sinan.

Dinamo: Luarasi — Niga, Stafa, Targaj, Kove, Kuqi — Canaj, Demollari, Abazi — Topciu, Vila (Jance).

Ziya Dogan converted a Metin cross to put Besiktas firmly in control of the second half after a first period in which the Albanians had put up an impressively steady resistance.

Brondby 4 (John Jensen 13, Lars Olsen 56, Östergaard 59, T. Christensen 82)
Honved 1 (Detari 19)
HT: 1-1. **Att:** 6,438. **Ref:** Palsi (Fin)

Brondby: Norregaard — Östergaard, Henrik Hansen, Lars Olsen, Ole Madsen, Henrik Jensen, John Jensen, Bjarne Jensen, Steffensen, Claus Nielsen (T. Christensen 78), Vilfort.

Honved: Andrusch — Sallai, Kalman Kovacs, Posza, Fitos, Kerepeczky (Fodor 73), Sikesoi, Garaba, Dajka, Detari, Cseh.

Juventus 7 (Laudrup 19, 21, 65, Serena 43, Cabrini 59, Vignola 72, Briaschi 78)
Valur 0
HT: 3-0. **Att:** 25,000. **Ref:** Azzopardi (Mal)

Juventus: Tacconi — Favero, Cabrini, Mauro, Brio, Scirea (Solda 57), Briaschi, Manfredonia, Serena (Vignola 70), Platini, Laudrup.

Valur: Hreidarsson — Kristjansson, Bergtor Magnusson, Magni Petursson, Kristjansson, Trainsoon, Jon Gretar Jonsson, Sighvantsson, Valsson, Inguar Gudmundsson, Sigmundsson.

Juventus dominated throughout. Danish World Cup star Laudrup scored a hat-trick and Frenchman Michel Platini masterminded midfield without getting his name on the scoresheet. Laudrup thundered his first goal past keeper Gudmundur Hreidarsson in the 19th minute, scored his second on a pass from Platini and his third on a pass from substitute Beniamino Vignola in a goalmouth scramble. Serena also owed his goal to the approach work of Platini. The match was played in steady rain and the Icelanders tested Stefano Tacconi in the Juventus goal only once — with a tenth-minute header from Hilmar Sighvantsson.

Orgryte 2 (Hellström 62, Samuelsson 70)
Dynamo E. Berlin 3 (Pastor 19, Thom 76, Doll 89)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 5,114. **Ref:** Blankenstein (Hol)

Orgryte: S. Andersson — Prytz, Ramstedt, Olsson, Gidebratt, Samuelsson, McIlroy, Aberg, Limpar, Mardindahl, Hellström.

Dynamo: Rudwaleit — Rohde — Ksienzyk, B. Schulz, Reich, Fügner — Ernst (M. Schulz 88) — Backs (Trieloff 76), Doll, Pastor, Thom.

Paris Saint-Germain 2 (Halilhodzic 19, Pilorget 59 pen)
Vitkovice (Cz) 2 (Kovacik 8, Sourek 21)
HT: 1-2. **Att:** 16,800. **Ref:** Sanchez Arminio (Sp)

Paris: Bats — Ayache, Pilorget, Jeannol, Bibard — Poullain, Polaniok, Susic, Vermeulen — Rocheteau (Bocande 52), Halilhodzic (Xuereb 73).

Vitkovice: Zapalka — Karas, Skarecky, Kadiec, Vir — Keler, Beles (Grussmann 85), Barti, Sourek, Kovacik, Lorenc (Jerabec 70).

Paris had all sorts of trouble as they became the first French club to appear in a Champions' Cup-tie in Paris since Reims in the early 1960s. Despite a string of World Cup stars they went behind to a goal from Ludek Kovacik in the eighth minute after keeper Joel Bats had failed to hold his first effort. Vahid Halilhodzic converted a Dominique Rocheteau cross for an equaliser by the unrated Czechs went back in front through Jiri Sourek. His indirect free kick was deflected beyond Bats off the defensive wall. A penalty from skipper Jean-Marc Pilorget early in the second half earned PSG the draw.

Porto 9 (Gomes 20, 50, 68, 87, Andre 60, 65 pen, Eloi 26, Madjer 54, Celso 80)
Rabat Ajax (Malta) 0
HT: 2-0. **Att:** 30,000 (at Vila do Conde). **Ref:** Ramos Marcos (Sp)

Porto: Ze Beto — Joao Pinto, Eduardo Luis, Celso, Banderinha (Madjer 17), Frasco (Sousa 58), Jaime Pacheco, Andre, Eloi, Gomes, Futre.
Rabat: Wood — Cortis, D. Busutil (Graham 59), Galea, Bugeja, Miller, Scerri, Vella, Emmanuel Azzopardi, C. Busutil, Carruanda (Asiak 55).

PSV Eindhoven 0
Bayern Munich 2 (Mathy 79, 89)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 26,750. **Ref:** Valentine (Scot)

PSV: Van Breukelen — Gerets, Ivan Nielsen, Ronald Koeman, Heintze, Van Aerle, Valke (Koolhof 71), W. Van de Kerkhof, Arnesen, Vanenburg, Van der Gijp.

Bayern: Pfaff — Flick, Pflügler, Eder, Nachtweih, Brehme, Wohlfarth, Matthäus, Mathy, M. Rummenigge, Willmer.

Bayern looked a class above PSV as they soaked up all the pressure the injury-hit Dutch champions could exert and then scored two decisive goals in the last 11 minutes. East German exile Norbert Nachtweih commanded midfield for Bayern, supplying strikers Reinhold Mathy and Michel Rummenigge with a stream of long, intelligent passes. PSV badly missed suspended Ruud Gullit and injured Norwegian Hallvar Thoresen. Frank Arnesen in midfield was their best player. He created one opening which was just beyond veteran Willy Van dr Kerkhof (playing his 500th game for PSV). But the Dutch team's best moment was in the 65th minute when Pfaff was stretched to push the ball over the bar after a quick turn and shot by Gerald Vanenburg. Bayern took the lead in the 79th minute: Lothar Matthäus played a long pass forward which Mathy collected before turning inside Nielsen and shooting past Van Breukelen. Ten minutes later Mathy struck again to decide the match and — effectively — the tie.

Red Star Belgrade 3 (Musemic 44, Cvetkovic 55, Durovski 66)
Panathinaikos 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 85,000. **Ref:** Ponnet (Bel)

Red Star: Davidovic — Krdevic, Marovic, Durovic, Elsner, Jankovic, Cvetkovic, Durovski, Musemic, Stojkovic (Milosevic 85), Mrkela.

Panathinaikos: Mirou — Tarasis, Karulias, Vamvakulas, Zajec, Mavridis, Saravakos, Antoniou, Batsinilas (Georganilis 77), Patsnavuras, H. Dimopulos (A. Dimopulos 66).

Goals from Milan Musemic, new signing Boro Cvetkovic and Bosko Durovski brought Red Star a revenge victory more than 15 years after Panathinaikos beat the Yugoslavs in a semi-final tie. Police used special traffic controls, mesh-protected jeeps and a helicopter for crowd control for a game which attracted 10,000 Greek fans.

Rosenborg Trondheim 1 (Brandhaug 4)
Linfield 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 3,258. **Ref:** Olafsson (Ice)

Rosenborg: By Rise — Eggen, Sollied, Bratseth, Henriksen Albertsen, Vatten, Brandhaug, Wiggen (Loken 81), Svorkino, Angvik.

Linfield: Dunlop — Dorman, Jeffrey, McKeown, Mooney — Crawford, McCullough (Mudd 67), Doherty, Barr — O'Boyle, Hanna (Anderson 77).

Rosenborg won with a quick goal from Sverre Brandhaug, created by John Angvik. The Norwegians 'won' 11-2 on corners in a tough match which saw bookings for Linfield's David Hanna and Paul Mooney and Rosenborg's Trond Sollied. Linfield's best player was skipper and stopper David Jeffrey.

Shamrock Rovers 0
Celtic 1
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 21,500. **Ref:** Van Ettekoven (Hol)

Shamrock: J. Byrne — Neville, Keely, Eccles, Brady, Doolin, P. Byrne, O'Brien, Coady, Larkin, M. Byrne.

Celtic: Bonner — W. McStay, Aitken, McGugan (P. O'Leary 28), McGrain, P. McStay, Grant, MacLeod, Burns, Johnston, McClair.

Celtic's Irish goalkeeper Bonner was Celtic's early hero after Rovers ran the first half. Bonner made splendid saves in the third minute, when he tipped a Noel Larkin shot around a post, and again in the 23rd, when he pushed a Liam O'Brien shot over the bar. Celtic threatened only once in the first half, in the 39th minute, when McClair headed a Burns cross against the woodwork. Mo Johnston also hit a post but that only provoked Rovers to pile on the pressure in the second half . . . Mick Byrne missed a good chance in the 65th minute and Bonner needed two attempts to smother a fierce shot from O'Brien, who has ambitions to make a professional career in England or Scotland. But seven minutes from time Celtic broke away for the winner. Rovers forced a corner on the left, the ball was cleared by Roy Aitken, Peter Grant launched a swift counter-attack and the unmarked Murdo MacLeod shot home from 15 yards.

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Young Boys Bern 1 (Bamart 2)
Real Madrid 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 32,000. **Ref:** Casarin (It)

Young Boys: Zurbuchen — Wittwer, Baumann, Weber, Conz, Bamert, Zuffi (Sutter 81), Jeitziner, Gertschen, Prytz, Lunde (Siwek 81).

Madrid: Buyo — Chendo, Camacho, Solana, Salguero, Gordillo, Butragueño, Michel, Sanchez, Martin Vazquez, Juanito.

"I'm disappointed," said Madrid's new Dutch coach, Leo Beenhakker, after the match. "A team cannot hope to win if it plays so timidly. But we're still only halfway through the tie." That theme was echoed by World Cup star Emilio Butragueño, who said: "At home, with our fans behind us, we should score three or four goals." Young Boys took only two minutes to go ahead with a headed goal from Urs Bamert following a move involving Swedish midfielder Robert Prytz and then a cross from Jürg Wittwer. Dario Zuffi was just wide with an angled shot in the 31st minute; Jürg Wittwer tested keeper Francisco Buyo with a long-range volley in the 36th minute, then shot just too high in the 42nd. In the 43rd minute Prytz almost made it 2-0 when Buyo fumbled his volley and recovered it on the line. Madrid's best chance in the first half was on a breakaway by Emilio Butragueño while their best player, midfielder Michel, forced Zurbuchen to a low save in the 39th minute. But even when Madrid made more attacking effort in the second half, they were unimpressive. Mexican Hugo Sanchez had a 'goal' disallowed in the 59th minute for offside. Young Boys went back on the attack and Buyo — signing from Sevilla during the summer — made a fine stop from Wittwer. Bamert and Solana were booked in a game Madrid began without the injured Maceda and suspended Valdano.

CUP-WINNERS' CUP
First round, first legs
(Sep 17 unless stated)

Aberdeen 2 (Bett 73 pen, Wright 80)
Sion 1 (Debonnaire 40)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 12,500. **Ref:** Halle (Nor)

Aberdeen: Leighton — McKimmie, Mitchell, Stark, Mcleish, W. Miller, Hewitt, Bett, Wright (Falconer 88), D. Robertson, Weir.

Sion: Pittier — O. Rey (F. Rey 85), Rojevic, Balet, Sauthier, Alvaro Lopez, Debonnaire, Bregy, Brigger, Aziz Bouderbala, Bonvin (Cina 73).

Four years ago Aberdeen thrashed Sion 7-0 at Pittodrie in a preliminary round but they never showed the same attacking accuracy this time. Stewart McKimmie could have given Aberdeen an early lead but the Swiss defence blocked his shot. Paul Wright did get the ball in the net on the half-hour but the "goal" was disallowed for offside and, five minutes from the interval, Sion took the lead. It was only their second chance of the game — Georges Bregy had wasted an earlier opening provided by Moroccan World Cup star Aziz Bouderbala — and Debonnaire thumped the ball past Jim Leighton from 25 yards. Peter Weir hit the bar with an Aberdeen free kick just before half-time and the Scots stepped up the pressure in the second half. Pittier saved well from a Paul Wright header and then Billy Stark shot over in the 62nd minute when it seemed easier to score. Mcleish headed just too high and then Miller had a shot luckily deflected wide by Rey. Jim Bett finally equalised from a penalty after Weir was brought down and then Wright grabbed the winner with a 25-yard drive after a free kick ten minutes from time.

B1903 Kobenhavn 1 (Mathiesen 50)
Vitosha Sofia 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 4,593. **Ref:** Neuner (WG)

B1903: Petersen — Ibenfeldt, Dalsborg, Friis-Hansen, Kristensen, Nygaard, J. S. Hansen, Jensen, Rasmussen, Norager, Mathiesen.

Vitosha: Mikhailov — Koev, Zdravkov, Petrov, N. Iliev, D. Markov, Gochev, Sirakov, Velev, Nachev (G. Yordanov), Iskrenov.

Benfica 2 (Manniche 21, Chiquinho 54)
Lillestrom 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 20,000. **Ref:** Philippi (Lux)

Benfica: Silvino — Veloso, Dito, Oliveira (Zivkovic 80), Alvaro — Diamantino, Carlos Manuel, Sheu (Cesar Brito 65), Nunes — Manniche, Chiquinho.

Lillestrom: Amundsen — Dyrstad, Smedas, Bjerhland, Halle — Richardson, Osvold, Sundby, A. Erlandsen — Haberg, Vaadal.

Benfica struggled in the rain against the Norwegians. Michael Manniche put them ahead after the Lillestrom keeper failed to hold a Diamantino drive. Then Brazilian forward Chiquinho provided John Mortimore's team with a decisive second goal nine minutes into the second half. Manniche and Chiquinho were the most dangerous Benfica forwards but for all their pressure there were no more goals.

Bursaspor 0
Ajax Amsterdam 2 (Bosman 73, Van Basten 86)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 3,000. **Ref:** Kuznetsov (SU)

Busaspor: Eser — Ahmet Suphi (Talip 61), Kerekes, Esat, Salih — Kalicanin, Yalcin, Tayfun — Gürsel, Beyhan, Bülent (Djavid 75).

Ajax: Menzo — Silooy, Rijkaard, Spelbos, Boeve (Bosman 46) — Blind, Winter (Scholten 82), Wouters, Witschege — Van't Schip, Van Basten.

Fram Reykjavik 0
GKS Katowice 3 (Koniarek 25, 66, Kubisztai 85)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 1,000. **Ref:** Lloyd (Wal)

Fram: Fridriksson — Orlygsson, Sveinsson, Thorsteinsson (Davidsson 64), Thorkelsson — Gudjohnsson, Laxdal (Bjornsson 76), Ormslev, Jonsson, Steinsson, Torfasson.

GKS: Sek — Nazimek, Zajac (Morcinek 46), Piekarczyk, Kapias — Biegun, Nawrocki, Krzyzos, Koniarek, Furtok, Kubisztal.

Glentoran 1 (Cleary 42)
Lokomotiv Leipzig 1 (Lindner 66)
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 8,000. **Ref:** Aas (Nor)

Glentoran: Paterson — J. Smyth, Cowdan, Connell, Moore, Cleary, Jameson (Bowers 75), Morrison, McCartney, Millar, Stewart.

Lok Leipzig: Müller — Kreer, Baum, Lindner, Zötzsche, Bredow, Schone, Leitzke (Altmann 54), Liebers, Richter, Kühn (Marschall 85).

Glentoran skipper Jim Cleary was both hero and culprit. He shot past East German Footballer of the Year Rene Müller to put Glentoran ahead before half-time after a free kick was knocked on by striker Paul Miller. But then it was Cleary whose poor clearance was punished by Mattheus Lindner for the East German equaliser.

Malmo 6 (Elia og 10, Lasse Larsson 16, 30, 54, Bjorn Nilsson 44, Palmer 85)
Apollon Limassol 0
HT: 5-0. **Att:** 5,683. **Ref:** Snoddy (NI)

Nentori Tirana 1 (Kola 87)
Dinamo Bucharest 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 25,000. **Ref:** Slavkiewicz (Pol)

Nentori: Mersini — Baci, Hodja, Lekbello, Bimo — Liti, Josa, Omuri, Muca — Minga, Kola.

Dinamo: Moraru — Varga, Nicolae, Movila, Stanescu — Rednic, Andone, Mihaescu (Dragnea 72), Damaschin I — Balaci (Suciu 80), Camataru.

Nentori were lucky winners. In the 14th minute Dinamo's Cornel Mihaescu got the ball in the net and was not the only person surprised when the "goal" was disallowed. Centre-forward Kola won the day for Nentori when he shot past keeper Dumitru Moraru with only three minutes to go.

Olympiakos 3 (Anastopulos 1, 47, Yiorgas Toyas 55)
Union Sportive Luxembourg 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 40,000. **Ref:** Kotherja (Alb)

Olympiakos: Skuras — Xanthopulos, Apostolakis, Toyas, Alexiou, Mitropulos (Zelelidis 69), Semertsidis, Parios, Anastopulos, Kostikos (Karvalios 73), Sestic.

Rapid Vienna 4 (Kienast 44, 56, Brauneder 46 (1st half), Willfurth 47)
Club Brugge 3 (Rosenthal 36, Beyens 61, Van Wijk)
HT: 2-1. **Att:** 11,000. **Ref:** Daina (Swz)

Rapid: Konsel — Lainer, Weber, Garger, Brauneder — Kranjcar, Willfurth, Kienast, Brucic — Halilovic, Niederbacher (Weinhofer 70).

Brugge: Vande Walle — Beyens, F. Van der Elst, Broos, Van Wijk — L. Van der Elst, Ceulemans, Querter, Brylle, Creve (Degrijse 55), Rosenthal.

A thrilling game saw Rapid squeeze to victory but the Belgians, apart from scoring three times, also hit the posts three times. Rapid coach Otto Baric remained optimistic, saying: "We can still score goals in Brugge."

Roma 2 (Di Carlo 24, Gerolin 58)
Zaragoza 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 55,000. **Ref:** Kirschen (EG)

Roma: Tancredi — Baroni, Gerolin, Boniek, Nela, Righetti (Lucci 69), Berggren (Desideri 46), Giannini, Pruzzo, Ancelotti, Di Carlo.

Zaragoza: Cedrun — Casuco, Garcia Cortes (Piñeda 77), Julia, Fraile, Guerri, Yañez, Señor, Ruben Sosa, Herrera, Juan Carlos (Jose Mejias 71).

Roma won but did not always show the form which made them one of the competition favourites. Zbigniew Boniek played well in midfield but Roberto Pruzzo did not have one of his better days up front. Zaragoza might have scored in the 31st minute, but Juan Señor lobbed just over the bar. Roma had taken the seven minutes earlier when young Antonio Di Carlo beat Cedrun from a free kick. The keeper dived to reach the ball but could not hang on to it. Roma's second followed 13 minutes into the second half. Defender Manuel Gerolin scored surely the finest goal of his career, breaking through from midfield before thundering his shot beyond Cedrun. Danish midfielder Klaus Berggren, who has made a disappointingly slow start to his career with Roma after signing from Pisa during the summer, was substituted at half-time.

Stuttgart 1 (Allgöwer 88 pen)
Spartak Trnava 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 24,250. **Ref:** Rosa Santos (Por)

Stuttgart: Immel — Beierlörzer (Müller 46) — Schäfer, Buchwald — Zietsch, Allgöwer, Sigurvinsson, Schröder — Klinsmann, Merkle, Pasic (Bunk 64).

Trnava: Opalek — Zabanik — Fasiang, Hucko, Kopcan — Ekhardt, Klinovsky, Gabriel, Filo — Fijalka (Bros 88), Belansky (Kavecky 81).

Stuttgart won with a controversial late penalty converted by West German international Karl Allgöwer. But the defensive Czechoslovaks weren't too upset. Coach Stanislav Jarabek said: "I think our strategy was right even if we didn't make it a very interesting game."

Valkeakosken Haka 2 (Törnvall 38, Paatelainen 82)
Torpedo Moscow 2 (Kobzev 22, Savichev 65)
HT: 1-1. **Att:** 1,900. **Ref:** Rossner (EG)

Haka: Huttunen — Cetala (Kuyanpa 67), Leonen, Vuorinen, Lehn, Törnvall, Mikela, Kollar, Paatelainen, Moorio, Wilson (Pirinen 82).

Torpedo: Kharin — Kruglov, Kovach, Prigoda, Shaveyiko, Shavlo, Y. Savichev (Pisarev 89), Kobtsev, N. Savichev, Gostenin, Plotnikov.

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Vasas 2 (Bodnar 12, Szabadi 70)
Velez Mostar 2 (Tuce 22, Skocajic 60)
HT: 1-1. **Att:** 5,000. **Ref:** Igna (Rum)

Vasas: Kakas — Farkas, Elkes, Csorba, Balogh, Racz (Teodoru 80), Zvara (Borostyan), Bognar, Szabadi, Sijjarto, Galascher.

Velez: Tanovic — Hadzlabdic, G. Juric, Prskalo, Matijevic, Barbaric, Kajtaz (Medvedovic 72), Skocajic, P. Juric, Karabeg, Tuce (Gudelj 89).

Velez looked the better team for most of the match with the Hungarians wresting control only in the last minutes.

Waterford 1 (Synnott 89)
Bordeaux 2 (Girard 33, Vercruysse 61)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 6,000. **Ref:** Jacobsen (Den)

Waterford: Flavin — Burns (Grace 17), Synnott, Power, Finucane, Donnelly, McCabe (O'Neill 60), Macken, Cashin, Bennett, Reid.

Bordeaux: Dropsy — Thouvenel, Rohr, Specht, Battiston, Zoran Vujovic (Lassagne 64), Tigana, Girard, Ferreri, Vercruysse, Zlatko Vujovic.

Bordeaux had not been impressed that a time difference error had meant there was no one from Waterford to meet them the previous day when they flew in. But they were impressive on the pitch. They hit the woodwork twice and were robbed of three goals at least by brilliant saves from keeper David Flavin. Waterford boss Alfie Hale said: "Bordeaux are the best European team I have ever seen." The French went ahead through international midfielder Rene Girard and World Cup man Philippe Vercruysse scored the second from close range. Both were created by Yugoslav Zlatko Vujovic. Waterford claimed a consolation goal through centre-half Noel Synnott just before the end and young star Michael Bennett very nearly equalised.

Zurrieq 0
Wrexham 3 (Massey 14, Charles 56, Conroy 65)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 8,000. **Ref:** Dimitriadis (Gr)

Zurrieq: Duca — C. Camilleri, A. Camilleri, Cutajor, Schembri II, Brincat, Scicluna (Navarro 75), Falzon, Schembri I, Farrugia, Micallef.

Wrexham: Pearce — Salathiel, Cunnington, Williams, Cooke, Comstive, Massey, Horne (Preece 73), Steel (Buxton 75), Charles, Conroy.

Steve Massey, close-season signing from Cambridge, put Wrexham ahead with his first goal for the club — shooting in off the underside of the bar after a move begun by Barry Horne and carried on by Jim Steel. Before then Zurrieq had looked menacing through their one professional, Mario Schembri. Twice he was just wide with curled shots but the Maltese faded after the interval. Steve Charles volleyed a fine second goal in the 56th minute and Mike Conroy blasted in the third from 30 yards range. Wrexham manager Dixie McNeil said: "Everything was very satisfying — and you can't ask for more than that."

UEFA CUP
First round, first legs
(Sep 17 unless stated)

Akranes 0
Sporting Lisbon 9 (Manuel Fernandes 10, 39, Meade 14, 37, McDonald 49, 60, 86, Negrete 64, Celso 90)
HT: 0-4. **Att:** 1,500. **Ref:** Lloyd (Wal)

Akranes: Kristinsson — Larusson, S. B. Jonsson, G. Thordarsson, Gudmundsson, O. Thordarsson (Gudjonsson 46), Hakonarsson, Trygvasson, Ingolfsson (Sveinsson 70), Petursson, Bardasson.

Sporting: Vital — Gabriel, Morato, Venancio, Mario Jorge, Oceano, Zinho, Negrete, Mario, Meade (Silvinho 58), Manuel Fernandes (McDonald 46).

Atletico Madrid 2 (Uralde 48, Arteche 70)
Werder Bremen 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 38,000. **Ref:** Galler (Swz)

At Madrid: Elduayen — Tomas, Ruiz, Arteche, Clemente (Julio Salinas 46) — Julii Prieto, Setien, Landaburu, Sergio — Uralde, Llorente.

Werder: Burdenski — Schaaf, Kutzop (Schlindwein 65), Sauer, Otten — Rulander, Votava, Möhlmann, Meier (Burgsmüller 80) — Völler, Neubarth.

Bayer Uerdingen 3 (Bierhoff 37, F. Funkel 43, Bommer 73 pen)
Carl Zeiss Jena 0
HT: 2-0. **Att:** 15,000. **Ref:** Smith (Scot)

Bayer: Vollack — Herget, Thommessen, Bommer, W. Funkel, Klinger, Dämgen, Edvaldsson, F. Funkel (Witeczek 82), Kuntz, Bierhoff (Kirchhoff 89).

Jena: Bräutigam — Peschke, Schilling, Röser — Brauer, Böger, Krause, Ludwig, Penzel, Burow — Bilau.

Uerdingen defeated East German opponents on their way to European semi-finals last season so this could be a good omen. Oliver Bierhoff, their 18-year-old youth international, opened the scoring with Friedhelm Funkel adding a second goal shortly before the interval. Rudi Bommer's penalty in the 73rd minute made it 3-0.

Beveren 1 (Fairclough 75)
Valerengen 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 5,000. **Ref:** Donnelly (NI)

Beveren: De Wilde — Lodders, Lambrichts, Pfaff, Maes — Kusto, Theunis — Lemoine (Schmedding 46), Gorez — Fairclough, Ekeke (Buyens 81).

Valerengens: Medias — Odegaard, Bergsvand, Eriksen, Aalbu — Loberg, Nilsen, Arnevag, Johansen — Husby (Enger 87), Kruge (Lund 75).

Bilbao 2 (Gallego 55, Pizo Gomez 60)
Magdeburg 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 31,000. **Ref:** D'Elia (It)

Bilbao: Biurrun — Gomez, Liceranzu, Goicoechea, De la Fuente (Urquiaga 70) — Gallego, Pachi Salinas, Urtubi — Endika (Luis Fernando 67), Sarabia, Argote.

Magdeburg: Heyne — Schossler, Dobbelin, Stahmann, Siersleben — Cebulla, Bonan (Bardick 67), Steinbach, Kirchner — Wuckel, Halata.

Borussia Mg 1 (Krauss 24)
Partizan Belgrade 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 7,000. **Ref:** Nemeth. Played on Sept 16.

Borussia: Kamps — Winkhold, Frontzeck, Krauss, Dressen, Borowka, Bruns, Rahn, Thiele (Lienen 71), Brandts, Bakalorz.

Partizan: Omerovic — Katanec, Sadriu, Vermezovic, Capljic, Radanovic, Delmas, Zupic, Vokrri (Bogdanovic 65), Vucicevic, Smajic (Stevanovic 89).

Coleraine 1 (Healy 79 pen)
Stahl Brandenburg 1 (Janotta 52)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 4,000. **Ref:** Gilson (Lux)

Coleraine: Platt — Tabb, Henry, Edgar, McDowell, Wade, Sloan, Healy, McGurnaghan, McQuisten, McCoy.

Stahl: Zimmer — Ringk, Märzke, Pahlke, Käuter, Pfahl, Gumtz, Janotta, Lindner, Schoknecht (Ferl 63), Voss.

Fiorentina 1 (Pin 32)
Boavista 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 45,000. **Ref:** Brummeier (Aus)

Fiorentina: Landucci — Gentile, Contratto, Carobbi, Pin, Galbiati, Onorati, Oriali, Diaz (Di Chiara 66), Baggio, Monelli.

Boavista: Alfredo — Queiro, Federico, Caetano, Agatao, Adao, Coelho, Walker, Nelson (Ribeiro 75), Tonanha, Jose Augusto (Parente 43).

Flamurtari Vlore 1 (Ruci 65)
Barcelona 1 (Esteban 90)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 13,000. **Ref:** Scerri (Mal)

Flamurtari: Lekbello — P. Ruci, Taho, Cipi, Iliadhi — Ferko, Zijai, Ziu (Muca 87), Gjondeda — Bubeqi, V. Ruci.

Barcelona: Zubizarreta — Gerardo, Migueli, Manolo — Victor (Esteban 83), Moratalla, Urbano, Pedraza — Marcos (Fradera 83), Lineker, Hughes.

Glasgow Rangers 4 (Fleck 30, 44, 52, McCoist 70)
Ilves Tampere 0
HT: 2-0. **Att:** 27,436. **Ref:** Damgaard (Den)

Rangers: Woods — Nicholl, Munro, Souness, McPherson, Butcher, Fraser, Fleck, McCoist, Durrant, Cooper.

Ilves: Malines — Uimonen, Lemivaara, Heino, Salonen, Osala, Talvio, Lipponen, Hjelm, Bellfield, Korhanen.

*Heino sent off, 20 min for foul on McCoist.

Groningen 5 (Eykelkamp 4, Mason 69, Houtman 48, 57, 70)
Galway United 1 (McGee 37 pen)
HT: 1-1. **Att:** 17,000. **Ref:** Schon (Lux). Played on Sept 16.

Groningen: Storm — Boekweg, Van den Berg, De Wolf — Mason, Olde Riekerink, Roossien, Gall — Bakker (De Kock 75), Houtman, Eykelkamp.

Galway: Blackmore — Naughton, Cassidy, Moran, Carpenter, Murphy, Ashton, Pat O'Toole, McDonnel, Mernagh (O'Flaherty 84), McGee.

Hearts 3 (Foster 40 sec, Clark 65, Robertson 70)
Dukla Praha 2 (Fitzl 44, Klucky 64)
HT: 1-1. **Att:** 20,000. **Ref:** Van Volcem (Bel)

Hearts: Smith — Kidd, Whittaker, W. Jardine, Black, Levein (Robertson 46), Colquhoun, I. Jardine (Watson 73), Clark, Mackay, Foster.

Dukla: Kostelnik — Klucky, J. Novak, Fiala, Rada, Griga, Bittangel, Urban, Gazger, Luhovy, Fitzl.

Hibernians (Malta) 0
Trakia Plovdiv 2 (Bakalov 5, 40)
HT: 0-2. **Att:** 5,000. **Ref:** Kolokythas (Gr)

Hibs had Alfred Azzopardi sent off in the 31st minute while both sides missed a penalty. The substitute Plovdiv keeper, Vichev, saved from Hibs' Scot Paul McGrath, while John Bonello saved from Plovdiv captain Kostantinov.

Internazionale 2 (Altobelli 58, Rummenigge 82)
AEK Athens 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 52,500. **Ref:** Van Langenhove (Bel)

Inter: Zenga — Bergomi, Calcaterra, G. Baresi, Ferri, Passarella, Garlini (Minaudo 82), Cucchi (Rivolta 46), Altobelli, Matteoli, Rummenigge.

AEK: Papadopulos — Hatzis, Mavrodimos, Manolas (Georgiadis 85), Hatsopulos, Papaioannu, Patikas, Ballis, Sandberg, Esterhazy, Karagiozopulos.

Sandro Altobelli lifted a little of the Inter gloom (they had lost their opening league match of the season the previous Sunday) when he scored in the second half after Oliviero Garlini headed down. Then Karl-Heinz Rummenigge, tired of seeing his many passes wasted by colleagues, showed them all how to score spectacular goals with eight minutes remaining. The Greeks were restricted to long-range shooting which did not worry Inter keeper Walter Zenga.

Jeunesse d'Esch 1 (Scholten 48)
Gent 2 (Nollet 36, Van Looy 78)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 2,800. **Ref:** Sandoz (Swz). Played on Sept 16.

Jeunesse: Van Rijswijck — Müller, Welscher, Di Pentina, Babroni — Serrassini, Kemp (Strotz 46), Scudo, Mogenot — Scholten, Guillot.

Gent: Laurijssen — Dewolf, Van Looy, De

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Kneef, Gijbels — Ruzic, Hinderijckx, Nollet, Raeven — Van Mierlo, Cordiez.

Kalmar 1 (P. Nilsson 67)
Bayer Leverkusen 4 (Schreier 9, 19 pen, Bum-kun Cha 59, Götz 62)
HT: 0-2. **Att:** 1,911. **Ref:** Savchenko (SU)

Kalmar: Friberg — H. Arvidsson, Wigstedt (Mordenheim 66), M. Arvidsson — Holmberg, Jägerbrink, Lansdowne, Nilsson, Jansson — Karlsson (Marko 62), Erlandsson.

Leverkusen: Vollborn — Hörster, Zanzer, A. Reinhardt — Götz, Schreier (Kohn 69), Patzeka (Drews 46), Rolff, Hinterberger — Cha, Waas.

Legia Warsaw 0
Dnepr 0
Att: 20,000. **Ref:** Craciunescu (Rum)

Legia: Kazimierski — Kubicki, Kaczmarek, Gawara, Wdowczyk (A. Sikorski 46) — Karas, Buda (Iwanicki 83), Dziekanowski, W. Sikorski — Arceusz, Araszkewicz.

Dnepr: Krakovski — Bagmut, Puchkov, Sorokalet, Fedukov — Litovchenko, Gavrilov (Cherednik 85), Sokh, Liuti — Protasov (Kudrichki 89), Taran.

Lens 1 (Carreno 43)
Dundee Utd 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 11,000. **Ref:** Losert (Aus)

Lens: Huard — Sikora, Deplanche, Gillot, Gatalano — Krawczyk, Lefebvre, Dewilder, Carreno, Oudjani (Hanini 73), Njo-lea.

Dundee Utd: B. Thomson — Beaumont, Hegarty, Narey, Sulley, Malpas, Bowman, Bannon, Milne, Gallacher, Sturrock.

Both teams played cautiously and there appeared little prospect of an opening until Daniel Barreno shot in via the crossbar just before the interval. But Dundee United were lucky in the last minute of the game. A shot rebounded off the post to Sherif Oudjani but, with an open goal at his mercy, he lost his balance and keeper Billy Thompson smothered the shot.

Linzer ASK 1 (Dantlinger 30)
Widzew Lodz 1 (Wraga 17)
HT: 1-1. **Att:** 5,000. **Ref:** Alexandrov (Bul)

LASK: Lindenberger — Dantlinger, Lehermayr, Paseka, Gajda, Piesinger, Enevoldsen (Westerhaler 26), Meister (K. Nagl 83), Rabitsch — Gross, Köstenberger.

Widzew: Bolesta — Kajrys, Walczak, Przybys, Kaminski — Swiatek, Iwanicki, Dziuba, Putek — Leszyk (Gierek 70), Wraga (Mlynarczyk 88).

Minsk Dynamo 2 (Zigmantovich 45, Kondratiev 50)
Raba ETO Györ 4 (Hajszan 19, Szabo 44, 80, Rubold 63)
HT: 1-2. **Att:** 23,000. **Ref:** Tsonchev (Bul)

Minsk: Zhekiu — Yanushevsky, Borovsky, Truhan, Kurenin — Dosmorov, Kisteny, Zigmantovich, Metlitski (Derkach 68) — Sokol, Kondratiev.

Györ: Ulbert — Csonka, Hlagyvik, Horvath, Preszeller — Szabo, Kiss, Rubold (Somogyi 83), Handel (Turbek 52) — Szentes, Hajszan.

Nantes 0
Torino 4 (Comi 55, Beruatto 63, Kieft 83, 89)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 22,500. **Ref:** Syme (Scot)

Nantes: Bertrand-Demanes — Kombouare, Le Roux (Obry 73), Desailly, Olarticoechea (Deschamps 73), Debotte, Burruchaga, Bracigliano, Morice, Anziani, Robert.

Torino: Lorieri — Francini, Cravero, Ferri, Corradini — Dossena, Beruatto, Junior, Sabato (Mariani 37; Rossi 52) — Comi, Kieft.

Nantes's resources were stretched thin in the 40th minute when Vincent Bracigliano was sent off after receiving his second yellow card. Torino took due advantage in the second half to score four times past Nantes keeper Jean-Paul Bertrand-Demanes.

Napoli 1 (Carnevale 55)
Toulouse 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 73,000. **Ref:** Tritchler (WG)

Napoli: Garella — Bruscolotti, Ferrara, Ferrario (Volpecina 80), Renica — Caffarelli (Muro 49), Maradona, De Napoli, Bagni — Giordano, Carnevale.

Toulouse: Bergeroo — Lestage, Ruty, Tarantini, Tihy — Despeyrouz, Durand, Passi (Espanol 86), Bellus — Marcico, Soppyra.

Neuchatel Xamax 2 (Jacobacci 29, Stielike 82)
Lyngby 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 8,200. **Ref:** Guedes (Por)
Played on September 16.

Xamax: Corminboeuf — Givens, Urban, Lei-Ravello, Ryf — Mottiez, Hermann, Stielike — Zaugg, Sutter (Lüthi 66), Jacobacci.

Lyngby: Kristensen — Lars Sorensen, Packness, John Larsen, Henrik Larsen — Bent Christensen (Gothenburg 85), Schaefar, Christopherson — Dennis Foss Nielsen, Therkelsen (Vilmar 10), Klaus Jensen.

Xamax were not very impressive in victory. Maurizio Jacobacci shot them ahead in converting a through ball from defender Claude Ryf but they created few further chances until West German verteran Uli Stielike shot home a pass from Pascal Zaugg eight minutes from the end. Otherwise Stielike and midfield partner Heinz Herrmann both had poor games. Lyngby's best chance fell to substitute Tom Vilmar in the 84th minute but his header was off target with keeper Corminboeuf beaten.

OFI Crete 1 (Vlastos 22)
Hajduk Split 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 10,000. **Ref:** Prokop (EG)

OFI: Miceas — Andreandis, Vasiliu, Michaltios, Cinos, Nomplias, Samaras, Isis (Charalambidis 65), Papavsiliu, Janjanin, Vlastos (Karlotis 75).

Hajduk: Pralija — Miljus, Stinov, Andrijasevic, Jarni, Celic (Jerolimov 46; Adamovic 85), Mise, Peruzovic, Bursac, Asanovic, Deveric.

Pecs 1 (Meszaros 26)
Feyenoord 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 6,500. **Ref:** Vassaras (Gr)

Pecs: Bodnar — Konya, Toma, Roth (Marton 63), Brezniczky — Berczy, Dobany, Turi — Lovasz, Meszaros.

Feyenoord: Hiele — Wijnstekers, Van Herpen, Troost, Duut, Heus, Hoekstra, Been, Tahamata, Elstrup, Hofman (Blinker 46).

Pecs could have finished off the Dutchmen to greater effect but Turi missed a 34th-minute penalty.

Rijeka 0
Standard Liege 1 (Claesen 24)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 9,000. **Ref:** Van Zwieten.

Rijeka: Ravnic — Jelavic, Strukar, Paliska, Ljepovic (Skerjanc 56), Sredojevic, Jankovic, Radmanovic, Matrljan, Kotur (Mladenovic 46), Vujcic.

Standard: Bodart — Luyckx, Aussems, Jelikic, Collard — Vandersmissen, Petrovic, Delangre, Claesen — Czerniatynski (Bosman 71), Repcic.

Standard's victory in Yugoslavia was hardly surprising — after all, their line-up contained three Yugoslavs and coach Milorad Pavic is also Yugoslav.

Sigma Olomouc 1 (Mlejnek 32)
IFK Gothenburg 1 (Johansson 66)
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 7,000. **Ref:** Türe (Tur)

Sigma: Bubenik — Beznoska, Mlejnek, Mrazek, Vyskocil — Machala, Kalvoda, Sisma — Sedlacek, Prilozny (Koukal 73), Muchka (Popovec 46).

IFK: Wernersson — R. Nilsson, Hysen, M. Carlsson, Fredriksson — Johansson, Andersson, Holmgren (J. Carlsson 79), Mordt — Ekström, Bjur (Rantanen 63).

Czech team Sigma may not last long on their first appearance in European competition. They took the lead through Miroslav Mlejnek and restricted IFK to a couple of first-half chances. The Swedes attacked for most of the second half, however, and equalised through Magnus Johansson.

Sparta Praha 1 (Skuhravy 60)
Vitoria Guimaraes 1 (Roldao 80)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 9,000. **Ref:** Midgley (Eng)

Sparta: Stejskal — Bielik, Straka, Drahokoupil — Hasek, Cabala, Chovanec, Bilek — P. Novak, Skuhravy, Prochazka (Calta 59).

Guimaraes: Jesus — Costeado, Miguel, Nene, Carvalho — Ndinga (Basaula 89), Nascimento, Adao — Ademir, Paulinho (Rui Vieira 82), Roldao.

A lively game which burst into life in the second half. In the first the only real chance fell to Skuhravy, who lost his footing on the rain-sodden turf and shot wide. But in the second half play was much more open. In the 59th minute English referee Midgley disallowed an opening goal for Sparta for offside, but one minute later Tomas Skuhravy headed home a pass from Jozsef Chovanec to put Sparta ahead. They maintained their lead until the 80th minute when Novais Roldao beat Frantisek Straka for possession and then fired past Dukla keeper Jan Stejskal.

Spartak Moscow 0
Luzern 0
Att: 12,000. **Ref:** Schmidhuber (WG)

Spartak: Dassayev — Susloparov — Kayunov, Khidiatulin, Boris Kuznetsov — Rudakov (Kushlev 78), Kapustin, Cherenkov, Yevgeni Kuznetsov — Yeremenko (Mitin 73), Rodionov.

Luzern: Waser — Wehrli — Marini, Widmer, Birrer — Burri, Rene Müller, Mohr (Torfasson 82), Kaufmann — Bernachina (M. Müller 55), Halter.

Sportul 1 (Hagi 59)
Omonia Nicosia 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 16,500. **Ref:** Listkiewicz (Pol).

Sportul: Christian — M. Marian, Pana, Iorgulescu, Munteanu II — Christea, Ticleanu, Bozesan (Burchel 64) — Terhes (Stanici 83), Coras, Hagi.

Omonia: Charitou — Mavris, Tsikos, Evagoras, Christodolou — Zahaiadis, Demitriou (Kalotheu 64), Savidis (Xourouppas 71), Haralambous — Andreou, Dzevizov.

The brilliance of Georghe Hagi made itself felt yet again with this match-winning goal in the 98-degree (F) heat.

Tirol FC 0
Sredets Sofia 1 (Stoichkov 15)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 7,000. **Ref:** Longhi (It).
Match abandoned in 33rd minute for waterlogged pitch.

Tirol FC 3 (Roscher 11, Pacult 46, Linzmaier 77)
Sredets 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 12,000. **Ref:** Longhi (It).
Played September 18.

Tirol: Ivkovic — Steinbauer, Kalinic, Messlender, Streiter — Spielmann, Linzmaier, H. Müller (Eder 81), Koreimann — Roscher, Pacult.

Sredets: Velinov — Diakov (Alexandrov 15), Borisov, Chervenkov, Mladenov — Kirov, Tanev, Chavarov, Bezinski — Penev, Stoichkov.

Un. Craiova 2 (Ion Geolgau 57, Martin Bicu 86)
Galatasaray 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 25,000. **Ref:** Pauly (WG)

Craiova: Lung — Negrila, Rada, Sandoi, Ungureanu — Irimescu (G. Popescu 75), Manaila, Geolgau, Bicu, Cirtu (Bica 54), Bita.

Galatasaray: Simovic — Yusif, Rasit, Erhan, Semih — Ismail, Ilyas, Ugur, Prekazi — Cüneyt, Bülent (Muhammet 75).

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STREAMLINING and wholesale staff changes are taking place in the Hungarian federation following the national team's dismal showing in the World Cup finals — with the main switch the replacement of federation President Gyorgy Szepesi.

A study by the state sports office called the performance a "fiasco" and criticised leadership mistakes, poor preparation and poor morale.

The study declared that the side showed signs of being overtrained and that the team fell apart because the players were in low spirits and bad physical condition and lacked fight. The study said: "A comprehensive evaluation of the preparation and performance was not made even after the failure in Mexico."

The players were slammed for taking liberties in training and in their private lives without fear of punisment.

Hungary failed to recover from a 6-0 thrashing by the Soviet Union in their opening game and were eliminated after the first round. Manager Gyorgy Mezei resigned after a 3-0 defeat by France, to be later replaced by Imre Komora.

Hungary have slipped out of the world's elite since the great Magyar team of the 1950s. Throughout the 1960s and early 1970s Hungary retained its reputation as a leading footballing country, after which the lack of commitment of its top players started to result in defeats against supposedly inferior teams.

They seemed to have revived under Mezey, who led them to five victories in six qualifying games, leaving them top of a group that included Holland, twice World Cup finalists. But then came the collapse in Mexico. In September, in a goalless draw in a friendly against Norway in Oslo, only three of the side that lined up against the Soviet Union remained.

Hungarian football is now personified by Honved midfielder Lajos Detari, a supremely gifted player but a "playboy" said to love the Budapest nightlife. He did not play in Oslo, and the best Hungarian player was the goalkeeper, Szendrei.

In the league, four teams shared top spot, with eleven points from eight games. Ujpest Dozsa led on goal difference following a 4-0 home thrashing of Zalagerszeg. Behind them came Szombathely Haladas, Ferencvaros and Pecs, with MTK fifth one point behind.

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CZECHOSLAVAKIA: SPARTA were unbeaten after seven games, to head the table with 12 points. Over 6,000 spectators, a good crowd by Czechoslavak standards, saw them win 1-0 at Presov, the goal being scored in the 56th minute by Chovanec. Another Prague club, Bohemians, are also unbeaten, and lie second, two points behind.

Last season's surprise champions, Vitkovice, have had an indifferent start and languish exactly halfway following two successive away defeats, 1-0 at Cheb and 2-0 at Zilina.

Bottom are famous old club Dukla Prague, who lost 1-0 at home to newly-promoted Nitra in front of only 1,200 fans. Moravcik scored the goal after 14 minutes.

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BULGARIA: VITOSHA striker Nasko Sirakov brought his goals tally up to 15 (out of eight games!) by scoring five in an 8-1 home victory of Chernomoretz. Vitosha are joint top, with ten points, alongside Sredets and Slavia.

High scores are a feature of the "A" League so far this season. Vitosha had scored fortnight earlier and, on the same day, Sredets and Lokomotiv were sharing six and Trakia were thrashing Pirin 5-1 at home in Plovdiv.

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POLAND: POGON Szczecin head the table after nine matches, having benefited from the new rule giving teams an extra point for a win by three or more goals.

They have 15 points from five wins and nine draws. They consolidated their position with a 2-0 home victory over Polonia Bytom, who are struggling badly in bottom place and look set for relegation. On 13 points behind Pogon are Slask Wroclaw, Gornik Zabrze and Widzew Lodz, the former two also having gained an extra point.

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RUMANIA: EUROPEAN champions Steaua Bucharest have made a storming start to this season's league campaign, with a clear lead at the top after only six games. They have ten points following a 3-0 home win over Jiul, a 2-1 win at Sportul and a 4-0 home thrashing of newly-promoted Flacara Automecanica Moreni. Two points behind them are Dinamo Bucharest and Petrolul, with Arges fourth a further point behind.

FIRST DIVISION

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Vardar	9	4	3	2	10	10	11
Dinamo*	9	7	2	0	16	4	10
Radnicki	9	3	3	3	9	7	9
Hajduk	9	2	4	3	9	13	8
Velez*	9	6	1	2	26	16	7
Osijek	9	3	1	5	10	13	7
Spartak	9	2	3	4	10	14	7
Dinamo V.	9	3	1	5	11	16	7
Partizan*	9	5	2	2	15	8	6
Sloboda	9	2	2	5	12	15	6
Buducnost*	9	5	1	3	14	9	5
Sutjeska*	9	4	3	2	15	12	5
Zeljeznicar*	9	5	0	4	18	12	4
Stella Rossa*	9	3	4	2	12	9	4
Rijeka*	9	3	3	3	16	17	3
Pristina	9	0	2	7	4	15	2
Celik*	9	3	1	5	13	21	1
Sarajevo*	9	2	2	5	9	18	0

* These teams penalised six points because of match-fixing scandal at the end of last season.

Top scorers so far: Mihajlovic (Zeljeznicar) 12 goals; Gudelj (Velez) 8; Jankovic (Rijeka) 7.

ALL-TIME TOP INTL. APPS

85 — Dragan Džajić
65 — Branko Zebec
63 — Stjepan Bobek
61 — Branko Stanković
60 — Ivan Horvat
59 — Vladimir Beara, Bernard Vukas, Rajko Mitić
57 — Vujádin Boškov, Blagoje-Moša Marianović
55 — Jovan Aćimović, Zlatko Čajkovski, Fahrudin Jusufi
54 — Ivica Šurjak
52 — Dragan Holcer, Milorad Arsenijević
51 — Zlatko Crnković, Milan Galić
50 — Vladimir Durković, Miloš Šoškić, Aleksandar Tirnanić
46 — Branko Oblak, Miroslav Pavlović
45 — Zlatko Vujović
44 — Gustav Lechner, Dorde Vujadinović
43 — Jurica Jerković, Ilija Petković
41 — Josip Katalinski, Dragoslav Sekularac
39 — Blagoje Paunović, Milutin Ivković
37 — Duško Bajević, Todor Veselinović
36 — Ivan Buljan, Velimir Zajec
35 — Safet Sušić, Franjo Glaser
34 — Vladimir Petrović, Dragoslav Stepanović
33 — Ivan Gudelj, Bora Kostić, Miloš Milutinović
32 — Enver Marić, Muhamed Mujić, Nenad Stojković, Velibor Vasović
31 — Slaven Zambata
30 — Dobroslav Krstić
29 — Rudi Belin, Vladimir Premrl
28 — Ivan Gajer, Tihomir Ognjanov, Zdravko Rajkov
27 — Zeljko Perušić, Vojislav, Melić, Mehmed Bazdarević, Ljubomir Radanović.
26 — Spasoje Samardžić
25 — Blaž Sliškovič Bruno Belin, Miodrag Jovanović, etc.

ALL-TIME TOP INTL SCORERS

38 — Stjepan Bobek
37 — Milan Galić
36 — Blagoje Marjanović
32 — Rajko Mitić
29 — Duško Bajević
28 — Todor Veselinović
26 — Borivoje Kostić
23 — Dragan Džajić
22 — Bernard Vukas
21 — Slaven Zambata
19 — Safet Sušić
18 — Dorde Vujadinović
17 — Muhamed Mujić, Branko Zebec, Zlatko Vujović
16 — Miloš Milutinović
15 — Aleksandar Zivković
12 — Zelkjo Cajkovski, Aleksandar Tirnanić
11 — Dražen Jerkovic, Josip Skoblar, Zdravko Rajkov
10 — Josip Bukal, Josip Katalinski, Ivica Surjak
9 — Miroslav Glišović, Ivan Hitrec, Vahidin Musemić

GARY LINEKER celebrates after hitting England's first goal in the 3-1 Wembley win over Northern Ireland with which they began their European championship campaign.

SLAVS HARD TO BEAT

YUGOSLAVIA come to Wembley to play England on November 12 needing a victory to signal a long-overdue revival.

The ultimate prize at stake will be a place in the 1988 European championship finals. And Yugoslavia desperately need to refurbish their tarnished reputation following dismal results in the previous finals and their failure to qualify for this summer's World Cup.

Yugoslavia reached the first European final in 1960, when they lost to the Soviet Union 2-1, and ever since have played a major role in the European championship. In 1968 they again reached the Final beating England 1-0 in the semi-finals and then losing 2-0 in a replay to hosts Italy.

They finished fourth as hosts in the 1976 tournament, but lost out to Spain, in a group that also contained Rumania and Cyprus, in the 1980 qualifiers. This latter failure, and Yugoslavia's subsequent inability to match their achievements with their skills, is partly England's fault!

In 1979 England opened its doors to foreign players. The following year, the first Yugoslavs arrived. Defender Nikola Jovanovic left Red Star Belgrade to join Manchester United in a deal that netted him £300,000. Midfielder Dragoslav Stepanovic, already playing abroad, with Wormatia of West Germany, joined Manchester City. Partizan Belgrade lost Peter Borota to Chelsea and Ivan Golac to Southampton.

Other leading Yugoslav players followed, notably Vladimir Petrovic, though his stay at Arsenal was short and unsuccessful.

More than 200 Yugoslavs are playing abroad at any one time. Farukh Hadzibegic has just moved to Betis in Spain, for example, while Bordeaux owe their current top position in the French League to the Yugoslav twins Zoran and Zlatko Vujovic.

This of course makes national team selection a headache. Various managers have tried to deal with the problem in different ways. One tried to do without all the "emigres," while another, unable to get them released by their foreign clubs, simply did without friendly matches, reasoning that they were pointless when half the team was missing.

Current general manager Miljan Miljanic, now in his third spell in charge of the national team, said during his second spell in 1979: "We are our own worst enemies. Every few months it's as if I have to build a completely new team. How can we achieve anything in such circumstances?"

It says much for Miljanic, his partner Ivitsa Osim and the natural talent of Yugoslav players that the country remains one of the hardest teams to beat and there is still always the chance when you go to see one of their games that it will be full of smooth, flowing skill that is a delight to watch.

They will be glad they were not drawn in the same qualifying group as France, for their main stumbling block in the previous finals and then the World Cup qualifying tournament was one Michel Platini.

On the evening of June 19, 1984, in Saint-Etienne, Platini scored a second-half hat-trick, including two goals in as many minutes, after Sestic had given Yugoslavia the lead, to knock the Yugoslavs out of that year's tournament.

And then the following year he scored twice, in the second and 70th minutes, to give France a 2-0 victory in Paris that ensured they would go to Mexico — at the expense of their highly-impressive visitors. His opening goal was his first for France in nearly a year. Fifty thousand spectators, plus millions watching on TV, saw a match of tremendous style, played in a superb spirit.

Current early leaders in the Yugoslav League are Vardar of Skopje. Second are Dinamo Zagreb, who are one of ten clubs this season who have had six points deducted following an alleged match-fixing scandal on the final day of last term. Dinamo Zagreb are the only one of the ten who are making a showing in the league, remaining unbeaten after nine matches. If they had the deducted six points they would be runaway leaders.

Vardar have never won the league, and their one star is promising young striker Darko Panchev, who could well play at Wembley. He scored the opening goal in Vardar's home 2-0 victory over Radnichki, who were lying second before the match. Fifteen thousand spectators saw Petrov put the game beyond Radnichki with a well-taken goal in the 56th minute.

The following weekend Vardar held Hajduk to a goalless draw in Split, leaving them with eleven points from eight games, three more than Dinamo Zagreb and Hajduk.

Close behind were Radnicki, who slipped up 2-1 at Spartak Subotica, and Dinamo Vinkovchi, who had leapt up the table with a marvellous 3-2 win at Osijek. Lushich gave Vinkovchi the lead after 34 minutes, Kasalo equalised in the first minute of the second half, Boglanovich restored the visitors' lead in the 58th minute and Uroshevich increased it six minutes from time. A last-minute goal by Osijek's Shuker was to no avail.

The BRIAN GLANVILLE column

THE TRUTH PEOPLE SE

OF lies, liars and lying. Of alleged white lies, and some which are not lies at all. Unless, that is to say, one is given to persecutory fantasies; and who, in the world of football, can possibly be accused of that?

The world of football, as we know, especially in this country, is full of decent, honest, rational men, men who tell the truth and beat the devil, men who wouldn't bear a grudge for three minutes, let alone three years.

Exhibit number one, gentle readers, the diary so boldly (rashly?) published by Bobby Robson. England's team manager, and presented by him in September in Stockholm, with results he could scarely have anticipated. Arriving just at the very end of the Press Conference — I'd not travelled with the team to the match against Sweden — I found the Sheraton Hotel a-buzz. That very morning, my colleague David Miller of *The Times* had published a trenchant and ferocious attack on Bobby Robson and his book, treating with scorn his admission that he had told lies to the Press in the United States, first about Bryan Robson's dislocated shoulder, then about his hamstring. In consequence, Bobby Robson, ingenuously presenting his book, had been obliged to face a number of uncomfortable questions.

With hindsight (indeed, even with foresight), it may be said that Robson would have been far better advised to let sleeping dogs lie. If one may be forgiven the word.

When, in Mexico, I stigmatised the Football Association for its policy of deliberate disinformation, two previously friendly members of the so-called senior international committee turned their backs on me sullenly, the next time we met. Silly of them; I meant to impugn neither of them in my criticism.

Bryan Robson, you will recall, put out his shoulder for the third time in Los Angeles, playing against Mexico just before the World Cup. Bobby Robson said he hadn't. Then, according to the England manager's *So Near And Yet So Far* the captain hurt his hamstring again after seventy minutes of a training game, back at camp in Colorado. Bobby Robson announced he had strained his Achilles tendon; a lesser injury (though hardly a benign one).

Attempts to excuse the England manager for these prevarications on the grounds that "all" football managers lie at some time or another about such things as transfers and injuries seemed to me peculiarly ill-judged. Certainly one doesn't want to give fuel and comfort to the opposition; but this was a very special case.

In a quite astonishing statement in his diary, Bobby Robson naively speculates on whether the fact that his skipper's shoulder now came out so often would mean it went back with corresponding ease! Or might it mean, he added, a deterioration in its condition? That a manager of such vast experience should have to ask himself such questions at all is quite stunning. Surely anyone with the slightest knowledge of sporting injuries is well aware that once a shoulder starts coming out so often, there is no hope at all of an athlete being effective until he has had an operation to secure it.

To shift the ground of the argument by saying that Manchester United should have had the operation performed is hardly germane. Whether they were right or wrong, selfish or justified, they didn't. What England and Bobby Robson therefore ended up with was damaged goods. I met, in fact, a man who claimed to have designed the shoulder harness Bryan Robson was obliged to wear, who stressed that it must have compensatory effects on the rest of the body. Hence, quite possibly, the hamstring injuries.

Bobby Robson himself confesses in the book that to be fully effective, a player of Bryan's total commitment must be 100% fit. The England manager also conceded that using Bryan Robson in Mexico must mean that one of his two permitted substitutes would have to be sacrificed; kept in permanent readiness in case Bryan Robson should break down again.

Bryan, Bobby writes, was, however, something special, with a great potential effect on morale. Another strange argument, since the only effect on morale he could possibly have had in Mexico was, given his vulnerable condition and his deeply diminished performance, a negative one. If Bobby Robson wanted Bryan to exercise a moral effect, he might simply have taken him to Mexico as a non-playing member of the party; emphatically not one of the 22. Which, by the by, also included a Manchester United goalkeeper, Gary Bailey, whose physical condition was unsatisfactory, and who had lost his place as the club's first team goalkeeper.

Under interrogation, as they say, in Stockholm, Bobby Robson maintained that all he was trying to do, with his falsehoods, was trying to "protect" a player who had asked for his help, and who was keen beyond words to figure in the World Cup, desperately anxious that the world of football at large should not know his parlous physical condition.

Yet what earthly purpose did such "protection" serve? It did no good at all to the team, and none, I submit, in the last analysis even to the player. Unless one takes the ultra cynical, unjustified view that it maintained his "commercial" value. In a peculiarly embarrassing passage, Bobby Robson writes of him: Bryan Robson had to "act" at a Press reception given by the sponsors of a new sports shoe. For my own part, I am prepared merely to say that to conceal the extent of Bryan Robson's injury was not so much a moral outrage but an inept miscalculation. Once again, I must ask, what purpose did it serve?

The Diary had been criticised, too, for its title, its implication that "only" Maradona's handled goal prevented England from storming on to the Final. Bobby Robson himself can scarcely believe anything of the sort. Again, I feel inclined to make an analogy with the German General Staff and their stab in the back theory, disavowing all blame or responsibility for Germany's defeat in the Great War. At the start of the season, Bobby Robson did, in fact, publicly declare that he had no intention of making Maradona's deplorable first goal an excuse.

Whether Robson should have published this diary at all, especially — in its initial incarnation — in a newspaper is itself a vexed question. I was very glad to see he has finally stopped writing his lucrative column for a Sunday newspaper. The Football Association should stipulate that their England managers contribute exclusive features to no one. Other international managers, it's true, are known to do so, but it seems thoroughly invidious to me that a national manager should favour any single publication.

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QUEEN'S Park Rangers Press room, after an evening match against Watford. Enter the respective managers. I shake hands with QPR's amiable Jim Smith. Graham Taylor, manager of Watford, extends his hand, then withdraws it.

"No, I can't," he says. He then stands behind the little table and gives vent to a stream of mysterious vituperation. "You're a liar! You write lies!"

My first reaction is one of total bewilderment. What on earth can he be talking about? An isolated phrase in his outburst rings distant bells. "You weren't even in Israel!" A youth game . . . a substitutiion. It was a long time ago, but I remember, and tell him, that I had a reliable informant. If he objected to anything I'd written, why had he not let me know, so I could check and, if necessary, publish a correction.

No, he said, while the journalists present looked on astonished, he wanted

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to do it like this. On and uselessly on the exchanges raged, till the reporters begged him to stop; they were waiting to talk about the match. "Do you want to go on?" Talyor demanded, when the interviews were over. "Yes," I said, and we went out on to the concourse for more fruitless exchanges.

At home, I looked out the copy of *World Soccer* in which the offending passage had been written. We were in September, 1986. The date of the issue was March, 1983. Three years, four months. A commentary in itself. But let me reproduce the passage:

To Watford . . . or not to Watford? The successes of that livley and likeable team, so intelligently and originally managed, the pretentious simplistics of so called Match Analysis, keep the controversy boiling and bubbling along.

Those who believe that Taylor is poisoning the very roots of the game could scarcely be reassured by the fact that when he took the England youth team to Israel some weeks ago, he encouraged them to hit long balls over the midfield to a couple of wingers; and substituted a defender who questioned his tactics. His supporters, however, will have been heartened by the fact that in each game England won, scoring four goals.

I spoke, then, to my informant, who had actually sat beside Taylor on the bench during the games, and gone on to the field with him to listen to his half-time team conference. He confirmed the whole story, looking up his original notes to do so. The player *had*, indeed, raised questions at half-time about the long ball policy, politely, and on tactical grounds. He was indeed substituted, after some 50-odd minutes, in the next match.

Taylor's objection, presumably, was that there was no casual connection between the two occurrences. At nearly three and a half years' distance, who can now be sure? As time slips by, people begin to believe what they want to believe. I wrote, all those years ago, in good faith, and am still not convinced I was wrong. In any event, my opening words in the piece showed that I admired and respected Taylor's work, as I still do, even if I now find his behaviour very strange indeed.

Some key to it may be given by his words on the concourse, "I'm bitter, I'm bitter!" **Freudians talk about displacement; a phenomenon which means shifting strongly felt emotions, quite unconsciously, from one thing to another.** From what Taylor said that evening, it was plain he had been terribly hurt by much of the criticism of his club's tactics.

If that is how he feels, I am sorry, but there are better and more rational ways of dealing with it. Long brooding is corrosive; revenge in such circumstances is less sweet than petty and potentially self-destructive. Defamatory accusations in public places can lead to trouble; though they certainly won't in this case. I cannot help thinking of the famous words of Denis Healey, when criticised by Sir Geoffrey Howe: "It was like being savaged by a dead sheep."

I still think Taylor has done a remarkable job at Watford, whose chairman is a benign and positive force in the game. But perhaps the team is moulded in its manager's image. They simply have no style.

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WHO'S WHO OF WEST HAM (1900-1986) by Tony Hogg and Jack Helliar **(£6.50 from Helliar and Sons, 235** Barking Road, London E13 8EQ) is probably a little too good a book for football fans. I say this with regret, and with every intention of complimenting its diligent authors. Football fans, like old men, forget. In this country, at least, they just don't care about history. Everything is now, everything is today, so that the romance of the game is brushed aside. Cricket sets football a shaming example in this respect; you can still publish and sell a book about C. B. Fry or his Sussex batting partner, Ranjitsinjhi (Ranji).

Who's Who of West Ham consists of an abundance of biographies and diligently recovered photographs of players from this fine, endearing club, some of the cigarette cards and caricatures, not to mention the photos, going back well before the Great War.

Here we find not only Hurst, Moore and Peters but such as Teddy Hufton, a cherished goalkeeper, George Hilsdon, whom West Ham let slip to Chelsea then brought back to score goals and school the fabled Syd Puddefoot and Len Goulden, scorer of a marvellous volleyed goal **against Germany in Berlin in 1938.**

WATFORD manager Graham Taylor letting fly.

BRAZILIAN FOOTBALL ON ITS KNEES

from ERIC WEIL

VIOLENCE on the pitch, falling attendances and legal battles in the courtroom brought Brazilian domestic football to its knees as the increasingly controversial National Championship got under its unwieldly way.

But at last there are welcome and belated signs that officials are taking the first cautious steps to crack down on the thugs and strive to rebuild the image of Pele's "Beautiful Game".

The spark for action was a leg fracture suffered by Flamengo fullback Adalberto after a vicious late tackle in the Rio derby with Botafogo. This was the third serious, high-profile injury in Brazilian soccer in the past 12 months.

No. 1 was the knee damage suffered by Zico last autumn when fouled by Bangu's Marcio and the second was the leg break to which Fluminense's Paraguayan World Cup star, Romerito, fell victim recently. He was also the victim of a Bangu player — curiously, named Robson.

Now Flamengo official Michel Assef stormed: "What happened to Adalberto is unacceptable. Flamengo has demanded strict measures from the BF. If something is not done to curb violence, the good players will be victims forever."

Such protests have been lodged in the past without much effect, but this time the CBF immediately told all referees to "follow the rules strictly, sending off any player who commits violence regardless of when it happens during a match."

Alvimar Gaspar dos Reis, referee of the Flamengo-Botafogo match was suspended for the rest of the season.

Officials are aware that increasing violence, both on the pitch and on the terraces, has contributed to the slump in soccer's popularity. In Rio de Janeiro state the average attendance was 20,000 in 1966. Today it is just 7,000.

Zico sees only one solution. He says: "We should follow some countries where the aggressor is allowed to play again only after his victim recovers fully. If this was done here, perhaps it would work. Fans are not interested in violence. They will pay only to watch good soccer."

Drug-taking has been suggested as one cause of the problems. Flamengo urged the CBF to carry out dope tests after every league match. The confederation refused, claiming that the operational costs would be much too high. But Romerito said: "I've witnessed many players taking drugs before a match here. In Paraguay, this is a very common procedure, as well as in all the rest of South America. In Brazil too, I've seen many players who seemed to be doped. Just by looking straight in their eyes, you could see that something was wrong with them."

Romerito also blames referees for the rise in violence saying: "They must be firmer. They talk too much to violent players. They threaten them forever, but hardly ever send them off. Soccer in South America is quickly becoming a boxing match rather than a sporting event."

However, Arnaldo Cesar Coelho, referee of the 1982 World Cup Final, blames club officials — "Lack of punishment by the clubs encourages violence. In match reports referees describe everything that happens during a game. Yet most of the time a player sent off for rough play is not suspended. If that does not change, things will get worse."

Meanwhile, several clubs began legal action against the CBF after facing first-round elimination in the championship.

According to regulations, the top 24 clubs in the first round were to qualify, along with four wild-card teams and four teams from the second division. The confusion began when modest Joinville, technically eliminated, were awarded a point lost to Sergipe after a Sergipe player failed a dope test.

The extra point gave Joinville a wild-card berth but ko'd Vasco da Gama of Rio, one of the traditional powers of Brazilian soccer. Vasco, who had qualified only by the skin of their teeth, then decided to go to court to halt the entire tournament if they were eliminated.

CBF President, Octavio Pinto Guimaraes then used a legal technicality to disqualify Portuguesa of Sao Paulo, who had been among the 'safe' qualifiers in the first round, and open the way for Vasco! Portuguesa went to court and got a restraining order to stay in the tournament.

The three teams insist they have qualified and should take part in the second round. The confederation were left to consider increasing the number of qualifying teams from 32 to 36, which would let all three in!

In earlier state league competition Internacional from Limeira, 70 miles from Sao Paulo, became the first provincial club to win the Sao Paulo State League — considered Brazil's most important jointly with Rio — when they beat Palmeiras 2-1 in the final after a 0-0 first leg draw. This modest club without stars are coached by Jose Macia, better known as Pepe, an outstanding winger with Santos in their glory days of the 1960s.

Internacional had the tournament's top scorer in Kita who netted 24 and has now been bought by Flamengo for around 200,000 dollars.

COLOMBIA: Millionarios of Bogota had a 16-game unbeaten run ended by Deportivo Cali for whom Sergio Angulo scored a hat-trick in a 3-0 win, but the Bogota team still led the professional league table by one point from champions America (Cali) at press time.

PERU: Sporting Cristal, coached by former national team captain Humberto Chumpitaz, top the Peruvian Metropolitan championship unbeaten after 15 games. Another popular Lima club, Alianza coached by Brazilian "Didi" (former coach of Peru's national team), are two points behind in third place.

ARGENTINA. After 10 games the new Argentine National A Division has three leaders — River Plate, Deportivo Espanol and Rosario Central — and the 12 top teams within a point of each other in this, so far, close championship which has seen 45 draws in its first 100 games.

The miracle are River Plate — the current champions of the first division which this tournament replaces — because they have been playing their second team in league matches all along while reserving their first team exclusively for Libertadores Cup matches for the moment. River Plate has a large squad of talented players and can afford the luxury of fielding even World Cup men such as Uruguayan half Saralegui in their reserves, but they have a shadow hanging over them.

One of their strikers, Ramon Centurion, had a positive dope test after a recent league match — which they won 3-1 against Temperley — and although he swears he had taken medicines against flu, the traces of a drug found in his urine sample are not contained in any medicine on sale and are generally acknowledged to be stimulants (meta-anfetamina). He is due for a lengthy suspension and his club is likely to lose the two points.

Meanwhile, Deportivo Espanol — with no real stars — are giving the least erratic performances based, like River Plate's, on defence and counter-attack. Rosario Central, who returned to the top division this season, usually go for all-out attack and they are top scorers with 17 goals in 10 games.

The defending national champions — this tournament has now been integrated into the new national A Division — Argentinos Juniors are still winless. They have also fielded reserves at times while defending the Libertadores Cup, but have a smaller playing staff than River Plate.

Recent statistics show that there are no less than 42 Paraguayan players in Argentine clubs — the biggest foreign contingent. Even in comparatively poorly paid Argentine soccer they can earn far more than at home.

URUGUAY: The Uruguayan first division restarted after a six-week break while Montevideo's big clubs, Penarol and Nacional, had toured abroad for much needed cash. Still the two clubs had not been able to pay off all their debts to players which, under existing rules in Uruguay, made them ineligible to play and a request to hold the championship up further to be able to play each other in a friendly (for gate money) was also turned down by a majority vote (of the other 11 first division clubs). Eventually however, the match was played in midweek, Penarol won 2-1 and 25,000 dollars were raised from a 27,000 gate . . . and the first division could restart again.

Central Espanol top the table by a point, Penarol are four points behind, but have played a game less, while Nacional are bottom but have only played one game so far. Penarol and Nacional are also only participating under the conditions that the Uruguayan championship will be completely reorganised. There has even been talk of limiting players' wages or returning to amateur status as soccer in Uruguay generates less and less cash.

Meanwhile Wanderers and Central Espanol became finalists of an extra tournament played during the first division recess with experimental rules — draws decided by penalty shootouts with two points going to the winner, three points for a win in regulation time and an extra half-point for a win by two or more goals. All this was done to create more interest, but most matches were played in practically empty stadiums. Perhaps the absence of Penarol and Nacional kept fans away in spite of all the innovations.

The two finalists qualify for the end of season final round to play for Libertadores Cup places in which eight clubs will participate this time. Penarol have already qualified for winning a pre-season tournament and the other five clubs will come out of the current first division tournament.

BOLIVIA: The Strongest and Blooming qualified for the final of the Bolivian championship which has not been so successful financially as the previous season. Three of the 15 clubs finished the season in serious financial difficulties — San Jose failed to complete their fixtures — and it is being said that the only people making good money in Bolivia soccer these days are the referees. They are paid the equivalent of 150 dollars, apart from fares and expenses, per match in a country where the average monthly salary of a teacher is 50 dollars.

ECUADOR: Filanbanco and Tecnico Universitario won their respective sections of the second stage of the Ecuado-

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VILLALBA of Argentinos is outnumbered by Barcelona defenders in their semi-final in Ecuador.

RIVER PLATE'S Centurion (left) eludes Argentinos' Domenech in their South American cup semi-final.

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rian first division and now the 12 teams which obtained most points in both sections of the tournament play in a final round of two zones. The finalists are Deportivo Quito, Tecnico Universitario, Emelec, Liga Deportiva Universitaria, Deportivo Cuenca and Deportivo Quevedo in zone A and Nacional, Filanbanco, Barcelona, Audaz Octubrino, Esmeraldas Petrolero and Macara in zone B.

MEXICO: Twenty of the 22 players involved in the Mexican first division match between America and Guadalajara at the former's stadium in Mexico City, which ended in a free for all with 18 minutes to go when all the players were shown the red card (see last *World Soccer*), were suspended from two to 12 matches by the Mexican FA. The heaviest punishment of 12 games was for World Cup player Carlos Hermosillo who started it all by kicking an opponent, Fernando Quirarte (his team mate during the World Cup), while on the ground. The FA also decided that the remaining 18 minutes had to be played at some future date — America was winning 1-0 — with none of the 20 suspended players being allowed to take part. Mexican city authorities furthermore fined America 1.000 dollars and Guadalajara 300 for causing a disturbance on city territory.

As if this incident did not bring enough disgrace to Mexican soccer, more came with Mexico's elimination from the forthcoming World Youth Cup in the qualifying rounds of the North and Central American and Caribbean area at the end of August. This youth side had been intended as the basis for the senior side to go to the 1992 World Cup finals in Italy.

Two teams remain unbeaten after six rounds of the Mexican first division — Universidad de Nuevo Leon and Cruz Azul — with the latter, who top group 4, showing the best record of only one point dropped in five games. Meanwhile, Uruguayan World Cup striker, Jose Luis Salazar of Universidad Autonoma de Guadalajara is joint individual leading scorer on five goals with Sergio Lira of Tampico-Madero.

● TELE SANTANA, who coached the Brazilian team in the last World Cup, said that if he ever took up coaching again, it would not be in Brazil. Santana, who was brought back to coach the Brazilian World Cup squad for the second time running — unusual in Brazil for a coach who did not win the trophy before mostly at the insistence of the press, was then annoyed at the strong criticism he received from the same media when Brazil failed to win the trophy. Santana, who goes for "jogo bonito" (pretty soccer), also said there was nothing more he could teach players in Brazil where rough play has contaminated the game.

● MARIO ZAGALO, Brazil's coach when they won the World Cup for the last time in 1970, was in a Rio hospital early September, suffering from nervous stress with all the symptoms of a heart attack, as a result of problems with Botafogo, the Rio club he coaches.

● OSCAR MAS, the former Argentine international winger still going strong in his 40s with a national third division team, Talleres Remedios de Escalada, was suspended for six games by the Argentine FA recently for failing to take a dope test. Mas had been substituted during the match and left the stadium not realising that he had been chosen to take the test.

MONTENEGRO of River Plate is sent flying by a Wanderers defender in Montevideo.

● ENRIQUE VIDALLE, a one-time Argentine international goalkeeper currently with Libertadores Cup holders, Argentinos Juniors, recently saved his 18th penalty in league soccer putting him fourth in the all-time list of Argentine league penalty saves behind Ubaldo Fillol (26), Hugo Gatti (24) and Jose Alberto Perez (21). The latter has retired, Fillol is temporarily without a club and may retire, but Gatti is still going strong with Boca Juniors.

● SERGIO SANTIN, the Uruguayan World Cup player transferred to Colombian champions America, returned to Montevideo after having been unable to obtain Colombian nationality. America, who already had their quota of foreign players in their squad, had bought Santin under the condition he obtained Colombian nationality which is now difficult as the Colombian government is not looking kindly on the large number of foreign players applying merely to be able to play in the Colombian league.

● FRANCISCO MANRIQUE, new secretary of tourism in Argentina, wants that country to put in a bid to stage the 1994 World Cup finals and Argentine FA president, Julio Grondona agrees. Manrique wants Argentina to stage the event to promote tourism, but also to wipe out the image created at the 1978 World Cup finals in Argentina which were held there to a background of human rights violations under military rule and accusations that the tournament was held merely as a screen for the military's misdoings.

Argentina still has the infrastructure — a lot of which was built specially for the 1978 finals and which would serve adequately for the 1994 event.

● EDSON Arantes do Nascimento — better known as soccer king Pele — announced that he will return to play soccer at the age of 46 in January in an international veterans tournament, for over 34s, in which West Germany, Argentina, Uruguay and Italy are due to participate with Brazil in various Brazilian stadiums.

Pele says he does not have time to train or play in the whole tournament, but that he will be in the opening match tentatively scheduled for January 4 between Brazil and Italy at the Pacaembu stadium.

Pele feels that the former stars due to take part can still teach newcomers a lot and the organisers want to make this tournament a two-yearly event at different venues.

● ABEL GNECCO, the Argentine international referee, has won a lawsuit against Independiente player Carlos Enrique who called him a criminal after being sent off during a summer tournament in 1984. Enrique accused Gnecco of dishonesty in interviews with newsmen after the incident and has now been ordered to pay the referee 4,000 dollars.

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Derick Allsop reports

THE TODAY LEAGUE

Forest set the pace — Ian rushes to record

BRIAN CLOUGH'S Nottingham Forest, closely pursued by Norwich, leading the way in the first division; Ian Rush hammering in a record number of goals for Liverpool; Manchester United still down in the basement; and Luton Town thrown out of the Littlewoods Cup for maintaining their war on hooligans . . . these are eventful times in the Old Country.

Forest's magnificent start to the English League season has provided a refreshing tonic for a footballing public sensing yet another winter of domination by the Noth-West giants.

Champions Liverpool and neighbours Everton are looking ominous enough at this stage and may yet have too much stamina and experience for any brash young pretender. But for the time being, at least, we are able to savour the exploits of that extraordinary maestro Clough and his City Ground charges. They play the familiar Clough way, slick and brisk, ever-ready to hit their opponents on the break.

Clough's son, Nigel, has an important part in the team's strategy. He invites the ball into his feet and has the ability to turn defenders in the critical areas. Significant, though, is the form of Garry Birtles alongside. The striker Clough senior bought back from Manchester United at a profit of £1m. has regained his old scoring flair, the sort of touch he simply couldn't find in the rarified atmosphere of Old Trafford.

Goals have also flowed from the feet of new England recruit Neil Webb, the imaginative and adventurous midfield player Clough signed from Portsmouth when it seemed Aston Villa had the deal sealed. Franz Carr has the pace and zest of youth out on the wing, but there are still one or two old heads in the side to give it the essential control and composure.

That craggy warhorse Ian Bowyer goes on and on, snarling, biting and probing and defying those who said his days were long gone. Under another manager they might have been, but then Bowyer is another of Clough's minor miracles. Then there's Johnny Metgod, the elegant Dutchman with a shot like dynamite. He is, by instinct and all reason, a midfield player, but at Forest he has also proved a splendid central defender, reading and dictating the game with ease.

Forest thumped six against Chelsea at Stamford Bridge and then another dozen against Villa at the City Ground with sparkling, uninhibited football. Their spectacular charge through the September fixtures inevitably earned Clough the Manager of the Month award, but it also brought to an end Graham Turner's managerial days at Villa.

Twenty-four hours after that 6-0 thrashing, Turner was called before the board and informed of his sacking. Villa's fifth defeat in six games — plus an even heavier loss for the reserves against Manchester United — was the final blow for the 38-year-old. Turner had reshaped his squad but injuries had reduced his options from the first day of the season. On that fateful weekend, he had nine players out of action.

Chairman Doug Ellis announced the decision with a remarkable tribute to the man he was putting out of work! He said: "It was a difficult one for the board and for me in particular because of Graham's qualities as a man. I have never worked with anyone with such honesty and integrity. He is a man most worthy of success, and although he has been denied it at Villa — due in some extent to sheer bad luck — we are confident he will find it elsewhere."

All of which begs the question: If he's so good, why sack him? Ellis had, in fact, stood by Turner for two difficult seasons and allowed him to strengthen his squad in the summer. But instead of giving him the chance to get all those players together, Ellis clearly feared another struggle and decided to head off any further demonstration by the Villa fans.

Turner said: "My successor will have an enviable job. After spending my first year assessing the staff I began a series of signings — all of which I am certain will prove excellent investments. After all the pre-season confidence I never anticipated being in this position by mid-September. When I joined the club I knew I had to aim for the very top. Anything average would not be enough."

The new boss at Villa Park is Billy McNeill, who joined the club from Manchester United. McNeill, as captain of Celtic, was the first Briton to hold aloft the European Cup, back in 1967. His job at Maine Road went to his No. 2, another Scotsman, Jimmy Frizzell. Turner, meanwhile, was lined up to revitalise a once formidable club — Wolverhampton Wanderers.

He took on the challenge with the Fourth Division outfit, saying: "I want to prove a point. Not to me, I know what I did at Villa was right and I would have liked to see it come together. I want to prove a point to others, to show I can do the job."

McNeill had a useful start in charge. His first league game was at, of all places, Anfield, yet Liverpool had to fight back to scramble a 3-3 draw. The following week Villa went to Coventry and won 1-0.

There were strong words down at Kenilworth Road. English football, you may have noticed, has been blighted by a disease called hooliganism. Brussels witnessed the ultimate consequences. Luton Town, having experienced a sufficiently ugly night of violence at their ground, have responded with a members-only scheme which, at this stage, means away supporters are banned.

They were given permission to go ahead with their scheme in league matches this season but, 24 hours after their home leg of a Littlewoods Cup tie against Cardiff, they were thrown out of the competition.

A league management committee meeting ruled they could not exclude Cardiff supporters from their ground, Luton refused to bend and so triggered a ferocious national debate. Even Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher expressed her concern at the league's stance. League secretary Graham Kelly said: "There are 91 clubs who are prepared to abide by the rules. The competition can carrry on without the 92nd."

Luton countered by insisting they were taking a positive step towards controlling the yobs. Their determination forced an emergency meeting of all league chairmen. For three hours at Villa Park, club bosses, some of them in sympathy with Luton's cause, attempted to find a compromise, but in the end it was to no avail. Luton rejected a proposal that they play on neutral grounds and bowed out of the competition.

The shabby affair was yet another body blow to English football's alleged campaign to return to European football. The Continent could be forgiven for asking: "Do they really care about beating the hooligans?"

It was a question turned against the government a few days later by Tottenham chairman, Irving Scholar.

He complained: "The politicians and government are long on advice but short on action. The Chancellor of the Exchequer fills his coffers with around £200 million a year of football pools levies, a far cry from the day in February 1936 when the then Chancellor, asked whether he would consider imposing such a tax, replied, 'No, Sir'.

"Now 42 per cent of all bets is taken in tax, so why does the Exchequer not put something back into the game to breathe new life into some of our decaying and dying stadiums, most of which were built before the first world war?"

Meanwhile the Football League was also gaining a surprising new sponsor: the controversial *Today* newspaper. Contrary to rivals' fears, *Today* do not, it appears, aim to insist on exclusive coverage of league appearances in return for their £4m. investment!

INFORMATION DESK

COMMENTS here last month about the opening up — or, realisation — of a market for soccer books about specific clubs could hardly have been underlined more strongly by a book which will have appeal to World Soccer readers in general.

The Book is *The Glory, Glory Nights,* a complete history of Tottenham in European competition, and edited by Fleet Street sports writers Harry Harris and Colin Gibson (£14.95; Cockerel Books, c/o Tottenham Hotspur FC, High Road, Tottenham, London N17).

In the early 1960s the writer Ralph L. Finn produced two successful books about Spurs' achievements in, first, winning the double and then in winning the Cup-winners' Cup. Those books were built around the reproduction of comtemporaneous newspaper reports — and this latest volume maintains that tradition.

But the newspapers reports are interspersed with up-to-date interviews and comments from those players and officials involved in the games.

There is also a statistics section, listing all Spurs' line-ups and scorers in their European quest over the years. It may be nit-picking but the only regret here would centre on the absence of goal times, of the opposition line-ups and the referees' identities.

That can, of course, all wait for another time, another volume. The problem, as Spurs' chairman Irving Scholar pointed out at a reception to launch the book, is that English clubs will not be back in Europe in the forseeable future, such is the present deadlock over hooliganism control.

Also on an international theme is *FIFA World Cup 1930-1986* by John Robinson (£3.95; Marksman Publications, Temple Chambers, 4 Abbey Road, Grimsby DN32 0HF). This is a 140-page volume featuring brief write-ups on all the World Cup finals tournaments and including goal-scorers for every match played.

It's a pity that the first six World Cups take up only 22 pages because these are the competitions about which many fans want to know more: the more recent World Cups are within the clear memory of adult fans today but there is still an enormous thirst for information about the origins of the World Cup.

Still, this is a useful volume in bringing all the basic information together between one set of covers — and bringing back a flood of memories, too.

On a lighter note is a new edition of *The Book of Football Quotations,* edited by Peter Ball and Phil Shaw (£5.95; Stanley Paul, Brookmount House, 62-65 Chandos Place, Covent Garden, London WC2N 4NW). My own favourite was a comment by former Tottenham boss Keith Burkinshaw: "We looked bright all week in training. But the problem with football is that Saturday always comes along."

A good one for the Christmas stocking.

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HOWARD WELLMAN, 26 Sandford Road, Ranelagh, Dublin 6: Gerhardt Hanappi played 93 times for Austria.

TERRY HOWARD, 11 Fordyke Road, Dagenham, Essex: FIFA are planning a six-a-side world cup. A test tournament for the rules had been planned for Holland but had to be cancelled. This could lead to a delay in the staging of the inaugural indoor championship, which had been envisaged for early 1988.

V. CONSTANTINEOS, 19 Warwick Gardens, Kensington, London W14: The African Cup-winners' Cup was won in 1984 by Al Ahly of Egypt who beat Canon of Cameroon 1-0, 0-1 and on penalties. A book detailing all the qualifying results for the World Cup from 1930 was published in 1982 by the Association of Soccer Statisticians but is now, apparently, unobtainable from them.

JOSEPH CARINALE, 1712 White Plains Road, Bronx, New York, United States: Spain beat Brazil 3-1 in the first round of the 1934 World Cup finals; Sweden had a bye in the first round of the 1938 finals. All replayed matches in that tournament followed extra-time drawn matches; the first round of the 1954 finals was structured in such a way that the two "seeded" teams did not meet each other. Hence the impression of play-off matches which is, in fact, false. These matches were part of the schedule; in the 1958 finals the rules laid down that two teams level on points (in second and third places in the first round groups) had to play-off to decide entry to the quarter-finals. Thus Northern Ireland defeated Czechoslovakia in a play-off and Wales defeated Hungary in a play-off. Wales and Hungary both finished their first-round matches with three points. Wales drew 1-1 with Hungary, 1-1 with Mexico and 0-0 with Sweden; Hungary drew 1-1 with Wales, of course, lost 2-1 to Sweden but beat Mexico 4-1.

NICK TRAKAKIS, 19 Johnstone Street, Malvern, 3144 Melbourne, Victoria, Australia: The address of AS Roma is Via del Circo Massimo 7, 00153 Rome, Italy. They play in the Stadio Olimpico, which has a capacity of 80,000.

PETER MORRIS, 39 Larchfield Road, Goatstown, Dublin 14, Rep. Ireland: Write to the Rumanian FA: Federatia Romana de Fotbal, Vasile Conta 16, Bucharest 70130, Rumania. The monthly FIFA-News bulletin does not list match details.

RICHARD GURTLER, Druzicova 2, 821 02 Bratislava, Czechoslovakia: The only player on your list still in top-class soccer is Americo Gallego, playing for the Argentine club River Plate.

DAVID McCLENAGHAN, 19 Glensharagh Gardens, Belfast: The colours of the current Albanian first division clubs are: Appolia, red shirts/white shorts/red socks; Besa, white/black/white; Dinamo, sky blue with white shoulders/white/sky blue; Flamurtari, all white with red and black V design on shirt chest; Labinoti, blue/red/blue; Lokomotiva, all white with blue hoop; Luftetari, red and white stripes/red/red; Naftetari, red and white halves/white/white; Nentori, blue and white stripes/white/white; Partizani, all red; Skenderbeu, red and white stripes/white/white; Tomori, yellow/blue/yellow; Traktori, all green; Vllaznia, blue and red diagonals/blue/red.

NIGEL MOORES, 112 Culgate Road, Rochdale, Lancs: Rapid Vienna are not recorded as having used any substitutes in the replay against Celtic at Old Trafford.

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A. J. NOBLE, 41 The Crescent, Belmont, Sutton, Surrey: The match between Anderlecht and Brugge last November ended in a goalless draw before a 34,500 crowd.

GERHARD ETTINGER, Ubersberg 23, 9334 Guttaring, Austria: Address as follows: Olympique de Marseille, 3 bd Michelet, BP124, 13267 Marseille cedex 08; Le Havre AC, 32 rue de la Cavee-Verte, 76620 Le Havre, BP 404, France; Newcastle United FC, St James' Park, Newcastle-upon-Tyne NE1 4ST; Sheffield Wednesday, Hillsborough, Sheffield S6 1SW; AIK Stockholm, Allmänna Idrottsklubben, Fotbollstadion, 171 38 Solna, Sweden; Argentinos Juniors, c/o AFA, Viamonte 1366/76, 1053 Buenos Aires; Botafogo de Futebol e Regatas, Rua Xavier Curado 1750, Rio de Janeiro 21610, Brazil; Fluminense Futebol Clube, Rua Alvaro Chaves 41, Rio 22231; Gremio Foot-Ball Porto-Allegrense, Largo dos Campeoes, Azenha, Porto Alegre, Brazil; Clube de Regatas Vasco de Gama, Rua General Americo de Moura 131, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

HENRIK LUNDGAARD, Kollegiebakken 9, 3703, 2800 Lyngby, Denmark: Results of the 1968 Copa Libertadores were: Group 1: Universitario (Perú) — Estudiantes (Argentina) 1-0, 0-1; Independienti (Argentina) — Universitario 3-0, 3-0; Estudiantes — Independiente 1-0, 2-1. Group 2: Deportivo Portugués (Venezuela — Peñarol (Uruguay) 0-3, 0-4; Sporting Cristal (Perú) — Peñarol 0-0, 1-1; Peñarol — Emelec (Ecuador) 1-0, 1-0; Sporting Cristal — Deportivo Portugués 2-0, 1-1; Emelec — Sporting Cristal 0-2, 1-0; Deportivo Portugués — Emelec 2-0, 0-2. Group 3: Universidad Católica (Chile) — Guarani (Paraguay) 4-2, 1-2; Guarani — Palmeiras (Brasil) 2-0, 1-2; Paleiras — Universidad Católica 4-1, 1-0. Semi-finals: Palmeiras — Peñarol 1-0, 2-1; Estudiantes — Racing (Arg, holders) 3-0, 0-2, 1-1. Final: Estudiantos — Palmeiras 2-1, 1-3, 2-0 (in Montevideo).

YOUR VIEW OF THE WORLD CUP

SIR — I was interested to read Keir Radnedges comments on the World Cup (*August*). I agree that the penalty system is an unsatisfactory method of deciding such games as World Cup ties, but disagree with part of his idea on how they should be concluded.

Mr Radnedge says he would like to see teams level after normal time play an extra half-hour, then, if still level, play on until the next goal is scored. The only amendment I would like to make to this system is to abolish the 30 minute extra-time period. Teams level at 90 minutes, should go straight into a sudden death phase in periods of, say, 15 minutes, until the next goal scored decides the match. I am sure this would create a big incentive for both teams to go forward in the search of that all-important goal from the off. — **ANDREW ILIC, Manchester.**

SIR — Having bought my first copy of *World Soccer* I felt I had to write to congratulate you on a superb magazine. Your depth of coverage and analysis of the World Cup was nothing short of excellent. — **R. J. GEOGHEYAN, Trident House, Granvilla Square, Five Ways, Birmingham B15.**

MORE NEXT MONTH

SIMONSEN BOWS OUT

compiled by Jim Holden and Robert Alexander

ALLAN SIMONSEN bowed out of international football on an emotional night at the Idraetsparken in Copenhagen, playing 20 minutes against West Germany.

Simonsen, European Footballer of the Year in 1977, is still rated the greatest player to come out of Denmark by the country's fans. They gave him a tumultuous reception in recognition of the way he led Denmark into the world arena.

Simonsen began his career with home town club Vejle in the traditional manner, joining them as a small child and rising through the ranks to the first team as a teenager.

His exceptional talent soon meant he joined the talent drain abroad. With Borussia Moenchengladbach, he won West German league honours and helped Borussia to the 1977 European Cup Final in which they were beaten by Liverpool 3-1. Simonsen scored their only goal, and his performances in the season made him European Footballer of the Year, the only Dane so honoured.

Subsequently, he moved to Barcelona, for whom he scored in the Cup Winners' Cup Final, and briefly to Charlton in England before returning to Vejle to see out his career.

His exploits abroad had already inspired a legion of Danish youngsters like Michael Laudrup, but Simonsen still had something to offer the national team.

His penalty at Wembley enabled Denmark to beat England 1-0 and set up European championship qualification. Sadly, Simonsen's glory was cut short by a broken leg suffered in the first match of the 1984 finals. A tackle by Yvon Le Roux of France put Simonsen out of football for almost a year. But the thought of appearing at football's summit, the World Cup finals, prompted Simonsen to an amazing comeback. He returned to the Vejle side and made Denmark's finals squad in Mexico which so impressed before cracking against Spain and Butragueno.

Like his great contemporary and successor as European Footballer of the Year, Kevin Keegan, Simonsen played just one match in a World Cup finals, ironically against West Germany, when Denmark won 2-0.

After the tournament West German manager Franz Beckenbauer called the Danes play primitive and Beckenbauer apologised before the "revenge" match which the Germans proceeded to win 2-0 to spoil Simonsen's farewell and reverse the Mexico scoreline.

But, as Laudrup said: "We owe Allan everything. He showed us we could beat the best, and he showed us the right way to do it."

DIEGO MARADONA, like many stars before him, is finding Italy a tough country for a footballer. Apart from the demands on the pitch, the little Argentinian genius is facing stress in his private life and being hounded by the press. But as he admitted after missing that infamous penalty during the UEFA Cup knockout against Toulouse, Maradona's biggest problems are inside his own head.

"I don't want a holiday. I don't want to go back to Argentina. I don't want to go anywhere," he said. "If I go abroad, my head goes with me. That is my biggest problem at the moment. That's where I'm playing my most difficult game. One which I hope to win for everybody's sake.

"It's all there inside my head. I can't get into the game. I'm sorry for my team-mates. They are the ones who are suffering because of me. Things just cannot go on like this."

A whole series of foreign players from Jimmy Greaves to Socrates, would testify that they can, unfortunately, and Maradona — facing a paternity suit from a Neapolitan girl — knows only too well that his career could hinge on his survival of this tough period.

The penalty miss in the Toulouse-Napoli shootout came only 95 days after Diego had lifted the World Cup in Mexico. His shot hit a post and rebounded into the pitch from the goalkeepers's knee.

"I am destroyed. This is the worst moment of my life," he admitted. "At the moment, everything I do goes wrong. I need to get away from football, but I am afraid to ask the club."

ALBANIAN clubs made their presence felt in European competition with Flamurtari embarrassing Barcelona before falling on the away goals rule in the UEFA Cup and 17 Nentori beating Rumania's Dinamo Bucharest home and away.

Meanwhile watch out for a famous name . . . Ledio Pano, just 18, the son of Albania's most famous-ever player — Panajot Panio — has made his debut for Partizani of Tirana.

LIKE father, like son . . . newcomer in the Italian under-21 squad is Milan defender, Paolo Maldini. His father was sweeper and skipper when Milan beat Benfica in 1963 to win the Champions' Cup. Now, even more important as far as young Paolo is concerned, father is also chief coach of the under-21 team!

IT COULD not happen anywhere else but Italy and Palermo, in Sicily. The closedown of the local second division club, fans on the streets, attempts to compromise, lengthy meetings behind closed doors in the Sicilian capital and the drawn-out death of a club with debts of more than 15 million dollars. It was like a scenario for another sequel to the Godfather, with a soccer twist. Unfortunately, for the fans of Palermo, which was founded in 1898 and played 18 years in the Italian first division, the entire episode was real and true. And Palermo have been closed down.

FRANZ BECKENBAUER is ready to stay and lead West Germany through to the 1990 World Cup finals in Italy after recovering from disillusion about the job and the game following his running battles with the press in Mexico. "In Mexico, it was no fun anymore," he said. "I could feel a hostile relationship with at least a part of the media. I said to myself then 'it would be better to get out and play golf' so I just pulled away afterwards . . . but I feel better now and the negative feelings are gone. I like the new feeling, the new challenge with a rebuilt squad."

TROUBLE for Wynton Rufer. The striker who made his name playing in England with Norwich and for New Zealand in the 1982 World Cup has fallen out with Swiss club FC Zurich and been given an indefinite ban. Zurich said the last straw was when Rufer failed to turn up for the team coach for an away match and said he had overslept. He previously fell out with the club when he and his brother Shane flew home to New Zealand for a World Cup qualifying match without the club's permission.

ONE unlikly supersitition to have been revealed since the end of the World Cup finals came to light when Argentine manager Carlos Salvador Bilardo confirmed that he would prefer to stay on as Argentine coach instead of taking a big salary in Italy, France or West Germany.

Bilardo, as superstitious as football managers come, always sat down first on the bench before a match. His team were told to always walk on to the pitch in the same order and to line up in the same formation for anthems and photographs.

And, last but by no means least, libero Jose Luis Brown would always provide his manager with a squirt of his own toothpaste to clean his teeth at night — every night throughout the tournament.

The toothpaste habit came about by accident. When Argentina beat South Korea in their opening match, Bilardo suddenly remembered he had borrowed Brown's toothpaste the night before. Of course, it had to go on.

ITALIAN starlet Paolo Maldini . . . like father, like son.

IN 1982, Tony Morley was the toast of Villa Park as Aston Villa added a European Cup triumph to their 1981 English League Championship. Now, at 31, he is in Holland and hoping for a chance to make a last major impression on the English game.

After the opening nine games in the Dutch first division, Morley was up among the leading scorers with six goals for his new club Den Haag, newly-promoted from the second division. But, not content with a starring role as Den Haag made an impressive start to the new season, he wanted a chance to get back to England.

He said: "Ability-wise, I don't think there is anyone better than me. I feel strongly that I have got what it takes to play top-class football in England again." A collection of six England caps are proof that Morley was once regarded as one of the best . . .

THE cult of the all-powerful chairman is taking grip all over Europe it seems. In England, it has become almost common to read the outpourings of club chairmen in the sports pages and to see transfer deals and soccer policies released by the important men in suits. Chelsea chairman Ken Bates even went so far as to spread his ambition and generosity across Hadrian's Wall by investing in the Glasgow club Partick Thistle, managed by former Rangers, Chelsea and Scotland striker Derek Johnstone.

Now, the notion of owning or running two clubs has spread to Belgium and France with rumours that Bernard Tapie, who ploughed a fortune into reviving Marseilles, is interested in adding Standard Liege to his collection of sports teams. Standard, wracked by the bribery scandal of 1983, are sympathetic to the overtures of entrepreneur Tapie, who dreams of reviving the glory-glory European days Standard enjoyed in the early 1960s and in 1982 when they were beaten finalists in the European Cup Winners' Cup.

BERND SCHUSTER continues to make the news. In addition to his threatened court action to try to regain his first team squad place at Barcelona, the West German midfielder has regained the affection of the Catalan fans without kicking a ball in earnest this season.

While the British duo of Mark Hughes and Gary Lineker struggle to repay their huge transfer fees and justify their reputations in front of the Spanish fans, Schuster and fellow-outcast Steve Archibald peformed perfectly in a rare friendly appearance for the team against Gimnastic Tarragona.

They both hit hat-tricks in a 7-1 win accompanied by chants of: "Schuster Yes, Nunez No". It was only Schuster's second appearance for Barcelona in any game since the European Cup final when he was substituted.

Hughes and Lineker meanwhile have struggled on valiantly, even after their embarrassments against the Albanians in their UEFA Cup first round tie. Hughes with only one goal in his first six games felt the most pressure. He said: "The trouble is people here read too much into personal performances and not enough into the team performance. We had a good result at Bilbao even though we should have won after being two goals ahead. But people start to panic if we don't win every single game by playing superbly. It's ridiculous . . . but something you have to live with."

SAUDI ARABIA bounced back from their disappointing Gulf Cup tournament to reach the Asian Games footbal final in Seoul. They lost 2-0 to World Cup qualifiers South Korea, but got revenge over Kuwait with a dramatic semi-final decided on penalties and pleased new Brazilian coach Carlos Castilho.

The defeat ended an unbeaten run in the tournament of six games for the Saudis, who also beat holders Iraq on penalties in the quarter-final.

ON the Gulf club scene the big news is the return of former Spurs and Scotland international Dave Mackay.

He left the Al Arabi club of Kuwait at the end of last season after seven years and much success. But he failed to secure a place in British football and has returned as chief coach to the UAE National League side Al Shabab. Mackay has brought his Kuwait assistant Neil Martin with him and added former Spurs full-back Joe Kinnear, previously in charge of nearby Sharjan club, to the coaching staff. Al Shabab finished third in the league last season and will be challenging strongly for the championship under Mackay.

Meanwhile, former Arsenal winger George Armstrong has taken over at Al Arabi, while John Cartwright has returned to Al Kuwait club after his unhappy spell at Highbury.

The Month Ahead

NOVEMBER 5
European club tmts, 2nd run, 2nd legs.

NOVEMBER 7
UEFA Cup, 3rd rnd draw (Zurich).

NOVEMBER 11
E21: England v Yugoslavia.

NOVEMBER 12
Euro chp: Spain v Rumania, England v Yugoslavia, Turkey v N. Ireland, Greece v Hungary, Czechoslovakia v Denmark, Scotland v Luxembourg.

NOVEMBER 15
Euro chp: Italy v Switzerland.

NOVEMBER 16
Euro chp: Malta v Sweden.

NOVEMBER 19
Euro chp: E. Germany v France, Holland v Poland, Belgium v Bulgaria.

NOVEMBER 26
UEFA Cup, 3rd rnd, 1st legs.

FOLLOWING Austria's crushing 4-0 defeat in their first European championship qualifying game against Rumania in Bucharest, national team manager Branko Elsner and assistant Gustl Starek offered their resignation. But OFB president Beppo Mauhart rejected it and asked them to continue.

It was Austria's heaviest thrashing in a European, or World Cup qualifying tie since 1978. Ernst Baumeister, recalled after two years to the midfield in place of the 'retired' Prohaska, lamented: "We went down like a bunch of schoolboys".

The media were also scathing in their criticism of the team's performance and the country's leading newspaper the Viennese *Kurier* said: "This is the absolute low. The qualifying chances are now already hopeless and we should give up on this tournament and concentrate on the next World Cup."

The debacle began with a bad mistake by keeper Lindenberger who let a corner slip through his hands. Iovan poked the ball in the net in the time added on for stoppages at the end of the first half. Lindenberger complained: "I don't want to look for excuses, but I was still in pain after a collision with a Rumanian forward."

After the interval the Austrians fell apart. Team boss Elsner, already under fire following the 1-1 draw with Switzerland recently, said: "I never expected such a collapse of my team, nor such a heavy beating."

On the domestic front FC Tirol's marvellous run of seven straight wins since the start, came to an end when they lost 1-0 to Linzer ASK. In the following match their German international Hansi Müller was sent off after a second booking. Müller, in brilliant form lately, is even being touted for a recall to the West German national side, but has yet to convince team manager Franz Beckenbauer.

Tirol, meanwhile, lost their lead to Rapid, but are still very much in contention in the title race. The club complained in a letter to the government (!) that they are victims of manipulations designed to help the country's top clubs FK Austria and Rapid.

The OFB for their part rejected the accusations as "invention" and pointed to the fact that Innsbruck was given the international against Switzerland recently precisely in recognition of the club and its successful run.

FRANZ ON RIGHT TRACK

reports from Arthur Rotmil

THE West German national team, hosting the European championship finals in 1988 for which they are automatically qualified, started a series of preparatory matches with a 2-0 win against Denmark in Copenhagen.

This success over one of Europe's most exciting sides raises hopes that team chief Franz Beckenbauer is on the right tracks.

Many experts claimed beforehand that results at this stage are unimportant since a virtually completely new side must be built and this could take a very long time.

No fewer than eight men of the World Cup squad have withdrawn for various reasons from the future selections — Magath, Jakobs and Stein (all Hamburg), Briegel (Sampdoria), Rummenigge (Inter-Milan), Allgöwer (Stuttgart), Eder and Hoeness (both Bayern Munich).

Nonetheless, Beckenbauer still has at his disposal a powerful nucleus of a new team which will be assembled around the experienced Schumacher (now team captain), Völler, Matthäus, Augenthaler and Allofs. Against Denmark two newcomers celebrated a fine debut in the centre of the defence. One was 20-year-old stopper Jürgen Kohler, since 1980 with unfashionable Waldhof Mannheim, a big uncompromising player who began his career with the amateurs TSV Lambsheim. He could be a permanent replacement for Karlheinz Förster who is now with Olympique Marseille in France.

The other exciting debutant was Bayer Leverkusen's sweeper Thomas Hörster at 29 already experienced. He started out with the provincial Schwarz-weiss Essen and BW Essen, before joining Leverkusen nine years ago.

Beckenbauer was pleased with both new men and the allround display of the new formation who took revenge for the 2-0 defeat by the Danes in Mexico. This time Olaf Thon and Klaus Allofs converted centres from Völler to score the goals before half-time.

Speculation is now rife as to how long Beckenbauer will remain in charge. Some say he will give up his position after the European Championship, others insist he might stay on till after the 1990 World Cup. About his successor too, there are predictions already in the media.

It is no secret that a number of prominent members of the DFB and some club managers would like to see either Udo Lattek, with 13 titles currently the most successful manager in Europe, but still running Bayern, or Otto Rehhagel the shrewd boss of Werder Bremen as a successor.

However, there used to be a tradition in German football that the assistant of the national team manager takes over automatically on his chief's retirement. The current assistant is Horst Köppel who admits that he doesn't always see eye to eye with Beckenbauer, but has never made the differences of opinion public.

Köppel, Beckenbauer and another former famous international and chief of the 'Under-21-side' Berti Vogts have formed a triumvirate which supervised the national squad's preparations in Mexico. Köppel played as a forward eleven times in the national side and scored twice. In 308 Bundesliga games he hit 82 goals. He claims that the biggest mistake in Mexico was to allow most of the German hordes of 140 (!) journalists to stay in the same hotel as the playing squad.

He imagines he will continue to aid Beckenbauer and insists he is no ordinary assistant, but has as much say as "The Boss". Should Beckenbauer resign his position then he, Köppel, would expect to take his place.

Otherwise he would quit: "I have no intention of working under other managers, not even under Lattek or Rehhagel. In that case I would rather return to my old job of looking after the youth teams of the DFB, or go back to the Bundesliga".

But he is excited at the prospect of helping to build a more attacking, rejuvenated national team. He is convinced that there are apart from some experienced older hands, also younger players like Immel, Rahn, Frontzeck, Falkenmayer, Thon, Reuter, Eckstein, Waas and Kohler, who can complement the old established stars. "German football is better than many think," he claims. "We not only breed the fighters and brawny types with stamina, we also have some good footballers. But the younger ones must grow up and become more mature. All we need is time and patience, especially from the public who expect instant and constant success."

"I last met Köppel in a roundtable discussion on German television before the World Cup and found him a sensible, dedicated coach who could be just the type needed when Beckenbauer has had enough. Köppel does have a full *"Trainer-Lizenz"* (licence) unlike Beckenbauer and he would therefore not upset the managerial fraternity.

Meanwhile the talk of the Bundesliga is midfielder-cum-striker Wolfram Wuttke, once the "enfant terrible" of West German football, but who since his move from Hamburg to Kaiserslautern has really blossomed out. After spells with Schalke, Borussia Mönchengladbach and Hamburg he now displays all his talent as never before in the seven years as a Bundesliga pro.

Wuttke is, as I write, top scorer in the league with six goals and he leads also in the merit table of all league players. His former managers Heynckes and Happel in Gladback and Hamburg ordered him to play in midfield, but the lack of freedom cramped his style and curtailed his youthful exuberance. He had also earned the reputation of being "difficult". This season Wuttke has been used as a striker. In Kaiserslautern manager Hannes Bongartz allows him to express his talents freely. The now 25-year-old has undoubtedly been instrumental in taking the Lauterer to the top group of the Division. And he earned his call up into the squad for Denmark, though he didn't play.

In Hamburg the talk is of Sascha Jusufi, born in Yugoslavia who although only 23 has already played for Bayer Uerdingen, Schalke and Saarbrücken. His father Fahrudin, a former well known international, also a Bundesliga player and then coach, has settled in West Germany. That is why son Sascha was given German nationality in a speeded up process so he can play for Hamburg who already have the two permitted foreigners in the Belgian Gerard Plessers and the Pole Miroslav Okonski.

Köln, who for the first time in their history were bottom of the Bundesliga after five matches, sacked Dutch team manager Georg Kessler. The experienced coach nicknamed "Sir" on account of his brilliantly white hair, could not lift them despite having spent nearly £1 million on players such as Morten Olsen, striker Thomas Allofs (brother of international Klaus) and Tony Woodcock, the former England striker lately with Arsenal who was in Cologne from 1979 till 1982.

West German club football was very much on trial in the First Round of the European cup competitions. Champions and Bundesliga leaders Bayern Munich dismissed the Dutch title holders PSV Eindhoven having won the away leg by 2-0. They then cruised at home to a goalless draw much to the disappointment of their fans. Bayern's efforts are known here as "Minimalistenfussball", that is to say they only perform to the minimum required to win through and they call it "sheer professionalism"!

Bayern have been linked with Thomas Berthold, Eintracht Frankfurt's brilliant international fullback who impressed in Mexico and who is said to be negotiating with Italian clubs, now that the ban on foreigners has been lifted for next season. Bayern did sign the Danish striker Lars Lunde from Young Boys of Bern, and he will put even more pressure on the numerous forwards in Munich - Mathy, Michael Rumenigge, Hoeness, Wohlfarth, Kögl and Hartmann.

In the Cup-winners' Cup Stuttgart only narrowly defeated the modest Czechoslavak team Spartak Trnava by 1-0 overall. In the UEFA-Cup the lately stuttering Borussia Mönchengladbach (13th in the table) surprised themselves by beating Yugoslavia's Partizan Belgrade in both legs (4-1 agg.).

The highest wins were registered by the two works teams of Bayer. European newcomers Leverkusen disposed of Sweden's Kalmar by 7-1, while Uerdingen scored an impressive triumph over Carl Zeiss Jena (East Germany) by 3-0 at home and 4-0 away. Only Werder Bremen fell at the first hurdle. They badly missed the once again injured Rudi Völler, pulled back the 0-2 deficit from the first leg to Atletico Madrid, only to lose out to a goal in extra time.

MICHAEL FRONTZECK creates more danger for the Spanish defence in West Germany's recent 2-2 draw in Hanover.

SWISS LOSE TO SWEDEN

SWITZERLAND'S chances of reaching the European Championship finals received a dampener when they lost their opening game to Sweden in Stockholm by 2-0.

Manager Daniel Jeandupeux's new defensive system of four men square at the back without a sweeper, was outwitted by the possibly fastest striker in Europe, Johnny Ekstroem who scored both goals from long through balls. The Swiss only created two chances and goalkeeper Martin Brunner was hit on the head by an object hurled from the terraces.

Swiss champions Young Boys Bern, who last season had a deficit of over £500,000, cashed in from their home tie with Real Madrid in the European Cup. 32,000 spectators and TV rights brought the club some £250,000. But they are still in debt and must reluctantly sell their newly capped Danish striker Lars Lunde (22) to Bayern Munich for £330,000.

Grasshoppers too, are hard up — losing some £300,000 last season. Nor in Europe for the first time in many years, the Zurich club is also shaken by an internal power struggle between the board and the so-called Thursday-club, a group of wealthy members whose financial stake is even greater than the directors.

Xamax Neuchatel, possibly the best team in the country, had a surfeit of foreigners on their books before the season started: Givens, Urban, Stielike, Dodds and Jacobacci could not all be used. The Irishman Givens (38), who could count as a football-Swiss, after five years in the country, is apparently retiring at Christmas. The club offloaded the Scottish striker Davie Dodds who didn't make the grade here, but the canny Swiss have made a handsome profit.

They bought him for £180,000 from Dundee United just four months ago and sold him to Aberdeen for £215,000!

Sion are delighted with their acquisition, the Yugoslav Slobodan Rojevic (28) an attacking full back formerly with Partizan Belgrade. Sion did Swiss football proud when they eliminated Aberdeen from the Cup-winners' Cup on a 4-2 aggregate.

This is a remarkable transformation in the fortunes of this Swiss club who four years ago was thrashed by Aberdeen in the same competition by 11-1 overall. Xamax Neuchatel also progressed to the next round of the UEFA-Cup by putting out Denmark's Lyngby on a 5-1 aggregate. But Young Boys Bern (v. Real Madrid) and Lucerne (v. Spartak Moscow) both went out.

JANE NOTTAGE reports from ITALY

TWO goals by defender Giuseppe Bergomi brought Italy a 2-0 win over Greece . . . and a sigh of relief from their 53-year-old new manager.

His name is Azeglio Vicini and the challenge facing him is to bring Italy out of the depression which followed the loss of the World Cup in Mexico earlier this year.

Vicini was promoted into the limelight following Enzo Bearzot's "retirement" to a vaguely-defined position of international overlord, having been his assistant for a decade and sharing in the glory of the 1982 World Cup. He has also, over the past two years, steered Italy's youngsters to the final of the European under-21 championship.

Beyond that Vicini is unknown factor to most Italian fans. But he quickly made his arrival felt through his team selection for the Greece match. Out were World Cup veterans such as sweeper Gaetano Scirea, defender Pietro Vierchowod, midfielder Antonio Di Gennaro and star winger Bruno Conti. He had to replace Internazionale's Fulvio Collovati, who has not played this season because of a contract dispute and also axed was Giovanni Galli, the much-criticised Milan goalkeeper.

Injuries meant the further absences of Juventus pair Aldo Serena and Antonio Cabrini — making this the first Italian team in 14 years to line up without a Juventus presence. Serena's place was taken by Alessandro Altobelli, who was persuaded to delay his intended national team retirement.

New faces included goalkeeper Walter Zenga of Inter as well as Dario Bonetti and Roberto Donadoni of Milan, Giovanni Francini of Torino and Roma midfielder Giuseppe Giannini — who was outstanding in the 1983 European youth championship in England.

Given Vicini's success with the under-21s, his emphasis on youth for this first game is hardly surprising. But who is Vicini? What are his qualifications to withstand the media and public battering which is the unfortunate lot of any Italian manager?

Vicini, himself, never played for Italy. Born in Cesena in 1933 he began with local team Cesenatico (amateurs) in 1949 then joined Cesena in the fourth division in 1952. A year later he was bought by Lanerossi Vicenza, made his first division debut two years later and then moved on again to Sampdoria of Genoa. Originally an outside right with speed and intelligence, Vicini spent seven years in the Sampdoria midfield before moving down a grade to Brescia and then retiring in 1967.

Seven appearances for the Italian army team were the closest Vicini came to international recognition.

Of all the players against whom he came up against, Vicini remembers the Italo-Argentine Omar Sivori (a Juventus star in the late 1950s and early 1960s) as the most dangerous he ever had to mark. Vicini says: "You could put him in your pocket for the entire game. Then, in injury time, he would leave you standing and score the decisive goal. You had to applaud his skill and his artistry but, above all, the nerve of the man."

Soon after retiring Vicini was appointed first-team coach to Brescia in the first division. Then, a year later, came the career twist which sent him down the road of succession to Bearzot.

Vicini had heard all about the English Football Association coaching courses and wanted to take part. He was recommended and helped by Ferruccio Valcareggi — Italy's 1970 World Cup runners-up manager — and Gigi Peronace, who spent so much of his time shuffling between London and Rome maintaining the best of relations between the associations of England and Italy.

One year later those connections paid off when Vicini was offered a coaching job within the Italian federation. He has stayed ever since, managing the under-23s, the under-21s and the Olympic team. Vicini says: "When I got the job with the federation I thought it would be good experience. I only planned to stay a couple of years. Now it's turned out to be a job for life."

In fact, once Vicini had settled to life within the federation's umbrella he nursed the ambition that one day he would follow in the footsteps of the likes of the legendary Vittorio Pozzo (World Cup-winning manager of 1934 and 1938), of the controversial Edmondo Fabbri and Helenio Herrera, and of the calm, clear-headed Bearzot.

Only once did Vicini come close to returning to the club world.

That was two years ago, after his Italian Olympic team was eliminated in the qualifiers and failed to reach Los Angeles. Vicini was bitter that the federation had not given him more support in terms of preparation, facilities and player availability. He says: "I was tempted to quit. But though I have received a number of lucrative club offers during my time with the federation, none of them coincided with that low ebb in my career."

Vicini's appointment has proved popular with the media. A couple of stories about Vicini's respect for the press have long been told.

On one occasion, with the under-21s, a group of reporters wanted to interview the then Como (now Sampdoria) midfielder, Gianfranco Matteoli, about a transfer story. Matteoli had gone up to his room for an early night. But Vicini got him out of bed and dressed to face his questioners. On another occasion, behind the Iron Curtain, where communications are a perpetual problem, Vicini told his players: "Never mind phoning your girlfriends back home. Leave the phone lines clear for the journalists — they've got their work to do."

That honeymoon is unlikely to last much further. Vicini knows it. The Italian press are notoriously critical and impatient with their national team.

Vicini admits that his judgment may not always be perfect. He deservedly has earned credit as the man who "discovered" Juventus leftback Antonio Cabrini and Sampdoria forward Vialli, and gave them the chance at under-21 level to earn a place on the World Cup stage (in Cabrini's case in 1978, in Vialli's 1986).

But Vicini also admits: "My biggest mistake was to write off Claudio Gentile when he was a youngster. He was a good defender but he didn't look anything special. I never thought he could become one of the best in the game."

Vicini also admits to being a diplomat. He says: "I always want everyone to share the same point of view. That may be a fault in some people's book but, to me, I don't believe you will ever build a successful team without unity of purpose. That is what I want to achieve."

RIOTS IN SICILY

LIFE on the Italian soccer scene has been far from tranquil. Battles off the field have been as impressive as some of the battles on the field.

First, we had the elimination of debt-ridden Palermo from the league. This resulted in riots and unrest as the light was put out on football in Sicily. Even the State President Cossiga was forced to comment that reaction had been far stronger than expected and perhaps they could still have some sort of squad which would play "friendly" games.

Second, we have the on-going Dallas-type battle of the giants between Milan's extrovert president Silvio Berlusconi and the team manager Nils Liedholm. If Ron Atkinson thinks he's got problems he should put himself in Liedholm's shoes. I wonder how he'd feel if Martin Edwards took to descending from the skies in his helicopter like an angry bumble bee, demanding instant victory and commenting on the style and technique of the team.

Berlusconi is committed to success and this has led to friction and a very unsettled team. Milan had a disastrous start to the season losing at home 0-1 to Liam Brady's newly-promoted Ascoli, then losing 1-0 away to Verona. Luckily, they recovered to give Berlusconi an early 50th birthday present by winning 2-1 against Atalanta.

Away to Juventus thay achieved a 0-0 draw with Liedholm changing his usual zone marking style by placing Filippo Galli man-to-man on Platini.

Third, we have the Maradona babies scandal. What has this got to do with football you may well ask? Usually nothing, but the effect on Maradona's form has been dramatic. When it became known that not only was his fiancee expecting a baby but a local Neopolitan girl had just given birth to a boy and declared him the father, he broke off from the usual Saturday night retreat with the squad and returned home immediately.

He returned next day to play a mediocre game in which Napoli drew with Udinese 1-1 since then his morale has continued to drop. New depths were reached when Napoli were knocked out of the UEFA Cup losing the second leg against Toulouse on penalties. Maradona missed the decisive kick and left the field in tears, declaring that he was going through the worst period of his life.

One man does not make a team but Maradona's influence is so strong both within Naples and within the squad itself, that his problems have been reflected throughout the whole area. One can only hope that he resolves them quickly and returns to the sort of form we saw in Mexico.

Fourth, following hard on the heels of the Maradona situation came the announcement that the passports of the Italian team that won the World Cup in 1982 had been snatched by the authorities whilst they are investigating the claim that the team had brought their £10,000-a-man bonus from sportswear firm Le Loq Sportif, home without declaring anything to the taxman.

Reactions by the players to this news were those of disgust and disbelief. Guiseppe Bergomi commented that it almost wasn't worth winning the World Cup. The immediate concern of managers involved in European Cup ties was that some of their star players wouldn't be able to travel for the second leg matches. This was resolved by a compromise: players are allowed to travel with their clubs but not on private trips abroad. The case will continue from mid-October, when the players will be questioned, until judgment in mid-December.

Surprisingly, Enzo Bearzot, the manager of Italy's victorious 1982 team is also under investigation in connection with these charges. Bearzot had not been previously included in the inquiry.

Former federation (FIGC) president Federico Sordillo has also been told he was under investigation for alleged embezzlement as part of the same inquiry.

Finally, in the long chapter of recent arguments and scandals, Juventus have fallen out with RAI Television. RAI have the television rights for Italian football matches and Juventus, with the money and influence of the Agnellis, are the most powerful team in the league so a battle royal is promised. It started after the match with Empoli when, during a transmission of DOMENICA SPORTIVA Brio was described as a killer and other disparaging remarks were made. President of Juventus Giampiero Boniperti instructed the team not to give interviews to RAI and so all the other television stations are rubbing their hands with glee.

Apart from Juventus who have shown their usual consistency, two teams have shown unexpected force in the season to date: Liam Brady's Ascoli, who have won away to Milan 1-0 and away to Torino 2-0 with Brady masterminding the assault, and Empoli, a team who only got into Serie A at the expense of Totunero Culprits Vicenza.

Empoli won at home to Inter, away to Ascoli and just failed to hold Juventus to a draw, losing 0-1 in the controversial match which resulted in that RAI ban by Juventus.

Italian teams had mixed fortunes in Europe. In the first round all six teams decimated their opponents scoring a total of 17 goals and conceding none. Juventus beat Icelandic team Valur by a healthy 7-0. Danish star Michel Laudrup scored a hat-trick and Platini was also back to his usual standard.

After the match he told me that he had now fully recovered from tendinitis although "it's a good excuse to use when I have a bad game!" In the second leg they beat Valur 4-0.

In the Cup-winners' Cup Roma fell unexpectedly on penalties to Spanish team Zaragoza. Polish ace Boniek and Italian team member Carlo Ancelotti both missed crucial penalties.

The UEFA Cup also produced a few surprises, Napoli were knocked out for reasons already stated and Fiorentina — who lost a 1-0 home advantage against Portuguese team Boavista — fell on penalties as well.

GIOVANNI GALLI . . . axed by new boss Vicini.

European Cups special

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CHAMPIONS' CUP
1st rnd, 2nd legs (Oct 1)

BYE: Steaua Bucharest (holders)
Bayern Munich 0
PSV Eindhoven 0
Att: 32,000. **Ref:** Vautrot (Fr)
Bayern 2-0 on agg

Bayern: Pfaff — Flick, Eder, Augenthaler, Pflügler — Nachtweih, Matthäus, Dorfner (Kögl 72), Willmer (Bayerschmidt 80) — M. Rummenigge, Wohlfarth.

PSV: Van Breukelen — Gerets, I. Nielsen, Van Aerle, Heintze — Vanenburg (Van Rooy 84), W. Van de Kerkhof, R. Koeman, Valke — Koolhof (Arnesen 60), Van der Gijp.

Bayern looked nothing like a team topping the West German league and talked about as one of the Champions' Cup favourites this season. They played with little inspiration, imagination or spirit to protect a 20-year-home invincibility in Europe. Roland Wohlfarth shot against a post after 24 minutes but PSV, if anything, had the better first-half chances and brought several sharp saves from Jean-Marie Pfaff. In the second half it was PSV keeper Hans Van Breukelen, celebrating his 30th birthday, who was the centre of attention. In the 52nd minute he brought down Wohlfarth to concede a penalty. World Cup star Lothar Matthäus shot into the net to Van Breukelen's left, but French referee Michel Vautrot ordered the kick to be retaken because two Bayern players had encroached into the penalty box at the moment of the kick. Matthäus shot, this time, high to Van Breukelen's right but the keeper saved. Bayern were jeered off at the end of both first and second halves. Coach Udo Lattek said: "We applied pressure only in the first 20 minutes. After that even our experienced players were making the sort of mistakes you wouldn't expect from a school team. We have been playing well lately; tonight we showed just how badly we can play, too." The PSV manager Hans Kraay said: "The fact that we upset Bayern's rhythm in the second half is small comfort for a first-round defeat."

Celtic 2 (M. Johnston 27 and 69)
Shamrock Rovers 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 27,272. **Ref:** Lundgren (Swe)
Celtic 3-0 on agg

Celtic: Bonner — W. McStay, Burns, Aitken, Whyte, MacLeod, McClair, P. McStay, Johnston (Archdeacon 66), Shepherd, McInally.

Shamrock R: J. Byrne — Neville, Brady, Keely, Eccles, P. Byrne (Monaghan 46), Coady, Larkin, M. Byrne, Doolin, O'Brien.

Celtic might have gone behind in the 22nd minute when Pat Bonner failed to hold a cross but Roy Aitken managed to foil Mick Byrne. Rovers paid for that miss five minutes later when Alan McInally crossed hard from the left and Mo Johnston forced the ball home from close range. Celtic were lucky again in the 54th minute. This time a miscued clearance by Aitken presented Byrne with another chance but now it was Bonner's turn to come to the rescue with a fine one-handed save. Again Celtic responded in devastating style, Johnston heading powerfully home after Willie McStay's floated cross escaped the defence. Johnston's goals may have made up in part for a newspaper article in which he had expressed his interest in joining Manchester United. But he was not given the chance of a hat-trick, manager David Hay replacing him with substitute Owen Archdeacon.

Dinamo Tirana 0
Besiktas 1 (Metin 7)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 26,000. **Ref:** Hartmann (Hun)
Besiktas 3-0 on agg

Dinamo: Luarasi — Stafa I. (Duka), Targaj, Nuga, Kove — Topciu (Imani), Canaj, Duci — Vila, Abazi, Demollari.

Besiktas: Jurkovic — Ali, Ulvi, Samet, Kadir — Riza, Gökhan, Fikret — Metin, Ziya, Feyyaz.

Dynamo E. Berlin 4 (Pastor 10, Backs 26, Thom 65, Ernst 82)
Orgryte 1 (Hellström 35)
HT: 2-1. Att: 15,000. **Ref:** Röthlisberger (Swz)
Dynamo Berlin 7-3 on agg

Dynamo: Rudwaleit — Rodhe — Ksienzyk, B. Schulz (Trieloff 46), Reich, Fügner, Ernst (M. Schulz 84), Backs, Doll, Pastor, Thom.

Orgyte: S. Andersson — Prytz, Engkvist, Karlsson, Ramstedt, Samuelsson, Aberg, Limpar (Esberg 76), McIlroy, Olofsson, Hellstrom (Jantunen 81).

FK Austria 3 (Ogris 42, Polster 60, Steinkogler 78)
Avenir Beggen 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 3,300. **Ref:** Szabo (Hun). In Salzburg.
FK Austria 6-0 on agg

PK Austria: Wohlfahrt — Dihanich (Steiger 62), Obermayer, Frind, Degeorgi — Türmer, Prohaska, Baumeister — Ogris, Drabits (Steinkögler 62), Polster. *Ogris sent off 64, Degeorgi sent off 66.

Avenir: Koch — Wolf, Meunier, Thiry, Jentgen — Girres, Wallendorf (Robert 86), Schreiner, Hauben — Krings, Malget. *Hauben sent off 66.

Three players sent off — two of them Austrians — but it had no bearing on the outcome of the tie.

Gornik 1 (Cyron 56)
Anderlecht 1 (Gudjohnsen 80)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 25,000. **Ref:** Holzmann (Aus)
Anderlecht 3-1 on agg

Gornik: Wandzik — Grembocki, Dankowski, Klemenz, Kostrzewa — Majka (Kolaczyk 86), Matysik, Urban, Iwan — Cyron, Palasz.

Anderlecht: Munaron — Van Tiggelen, Swinnen, De Mol, Andersen — Grun, Scifo, Vercauteren, Janssen — Gudjohnsen, Lozano.

HJK Helsinki 3 (Valla 3, Rissanen 38, Valvee 69)
APOEL Nicosia 2 (Ioannou 35, Prokopis 63)
HT: 2-1. **Att:** 3,247. **Ref:** Eksztayn (Pol)
APOEL on away goals: 3-3 agg

Honved 2 (Detari 14, Kovacs 59)
Brondbyernes 2 (Nielsen 65, Jorgensen 88)
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 17,500. **Ref:** Timoshenko (SU)
Brondbyernes 6-3 on agg

Honved: Gelei — Sallai, Csuhay, Garaba, Cseh — Gyimesi (Dozsa 76), Fitos, Detari — Fodor, Dajka, Kovacs.

Brondby: Cramer — Ostergaard, Hansen, Olsen, Madsen — H. Jensen, J. Jensen, B. Jensen, Christensen (Lisdorf 83) — Nielsen (Jorgensen 74), Vilfort.

Kiev Dynamo 2 (Blokhin 7, Yakovenko 46)
Beroe Stara Zagora 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 98,000. **Ref:** Christov (Cz)
Kiev 3-1 on agg

Kiev: Chanov — Bessonov, Mikhailichenko (Velanov 69), Kuznetsov, Demianenko, Rats, Yakovenko, Bal, Zavarov (Yevseyev 80), Yevtushenko, Blokhin.

Beroe: Ganchev — Illev, Tenev, Sivriev, Kasherov, Minchev, Mitev (Demirev 90), Bonchev, Kashmirov, Dinev (Donev 83), Dragolov.

Linfield 1 (McKeown 62 pen)
Rosenborg Trondheim 1 (Sorloth 57)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 6,000. **Ref:** Van den Wijngaert (Bel)
Rosenborg 2-1 on agg

Linfield: Dunlop — Dornan, Crawford, Mooney, Jeffrey, McKelm, Murray, O'Boyle, McGaughey (Mudd 63), Barr, Hanna (Anderson 63).

Rosenborg: By Rise — Eggen, Sollied, Bratseth, Henrikson, Vatten, Brandaugh, Wiggen (Loken 87), Albertson, Sorloth, Svorkmo (Jan Hansen 80).

Linfield's poor run — they had lost seven of their previous eight games — continued when they were edged out by a 57th minute goal from Geran Sorloth, who swept home a through pass after defender Colin Crawford missed his tackle. Linfield equalised five minutes later with a Lindsay McKeown penalty after David Hanna had been brought down by keeper Ola By Rise. They might have had a second ten minutes from the end but McKeown's 30-yd drive was cleared off the line by Bard Wiggen. Linfield manager Roy Coyle, congratulating Rosenborg coach Arne Dokken, said: "It was the old, old story — our scoring touch has gone sour."

Panathinaikos 2 (Saravakos 8, H. Dimopulos 30)
Red Star Beograd 1 (Cvetkovic 89)
HT: 2-0. **Att:** 60,000. **Ref:** Agnolin (It)
Red Star 4-2 on agg

Panathinaikos: Minou — Georgiadis, Patsavouris, Vamvakulas, Zajec, Mavridis, Saravakos, Antoniou, H. Dimopulos, Georgotoros, Batsinilas (A. Dimopulos 78).

Red Star: Davidovic — Krdzevic, Vitorovic, Durovic, Elsner, Jankovic, Milojevic, B. Durovski, Musemic (Nikolic 55), Stojkovic, B. Cvetkovic.

Some 15 years ago Panathinaikos overturned Red Star's three-goal first-leg lead to qualify for the Champions' Cup final. No such luck this time, although it took Tomislav Ivic's Greeks only eight minutes to pull one goal back through Saravakos after a Red Star defender had cleared another shot off the goal-line. A mistake on the halfhour by Slav keeper Davidovic presented Panathinaikos with a second goal — Dimopulos shooting in off a post. When no more goals came, the Greeks ran out of steam in the middle of the second half. Red Star began to control matters and it was no surprise when Cvetkovic scored in a last-minute breakaway while almost the entire Panathinaikos team was caught upfield searching for the vital aggregate equaliser.

Rabat Ajax 0
FC Porto 1 (Sousa 80)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 2,000. **Ref:** Komadinic (Yug).
Porto 10-0 on agg.

Rabat: Wood — Cortis, D. Busuttil, Galea, Scerri, Bugeja, Em. Azzopardi, C. Busuttil, Miller, Asciak (Vella 61), Caruana.

Porto: Ze Beto — Joao Pinto, Celso, Eduardo Luis, Bandeirinha (Juary 13) — Jaime Magalhaes, Jaime Pacheco, Andre, Quim (Sousa 54) — Paulo Ricardo, Gomes.

Real Madrid 5 (Santillana 36, Valdano 72, Hugo Sanchez 78, Butragueño 80, 81).
Young Boys Bern 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 87,500. **Ref:** Assenmacher (WG).
Madrid 5-1 on agg.

Madrid: Buyo — Chendo, Gallego, Camacho — Michel (Martin Vazquez 82), Sanchis, Valdano, Gordillo — Butragueño, Santillana (Solana 76), Hugo Sanchez.

Young Boys: Zurbuchen — Wittwer (Maier 80), Conz, Weber, Bronnimann — Jeitziner, Bammert, Prytz, Gertchen (Siwek 76) — Zuffi, Lunde.

Madrid duly thrashed the Swiss champions, though it was not unitl the last 18 minutes that they produced the killer touch to supplement their superior class.

Valur 0
Juventus 4 (Platini 10, 86, Laudrup 31, 36)
HT: 0-3. **Att:** 5,500. **Ref:** Nielsen (Den).
Juventus 11-0 on agg.

Valur: Hreidarsson — S. Kristjansson, Magnusson, Petursson, Jonsson, Thrainsson, Bergsson, Sighvantsson, Valsson, Gudmundsson, Sigmundsson (Gregory 69).

Juventus: Tacconi (Bodini 46) — Caricola, Pioli,. Manfredonia (Vignola 46), Favero, Solda, Mauro, Bonetti, Briaschi, Plantini, Laudrup.

Juventus could afford the luxury of resting Cabrini, Bonini, Brio and Scirea, go without the injured Serena and see Massimo Briaschi miss a penalty, yet still win easily at half pace. Michael Laudrup followed up his first leg hat-trick with two more goals but it was Michel Platini who scored the most spectacular. His second goal, and Juve's fourth, arrived four minutes from time courtesy of a brilliant scissors kick to a pass from substitute Beniamino Vignola. As for Valur, they could have scored a couple of consolation goals but let their nerves get the better of them with only the goalkeeper (Tacconi then substitute Bodini) to beat.

Vitkovice 1 (Sourek 68 pen)
Paris Saint-Germain 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 18,000. **Ref:** Martin (Eng).
Vitkovice 3-2 on agg

Vitkovice: Prusa — Karas, Kadlec, Vlk, Skarecky, Keller, Beles (Grussmann 72), Sourek, Houska, Kovacik (Lorenc 88), Bartl. *Skarecky sent off 65.

Paris: Bats — Ayache, Lowitz, Pilorget, Jeannol, Bibarde, Xuereb (Bocande 79), Poullain, Halilhodzic, Susic, Vermeulen (Rocheteau 60).

Vitkovice sprung the first surprise of the European season and did so despite having centreback Oldrich Skarecky sent off three minutes before Jiri Sourek converted a penalty for the only goal. Skarecky was sent off for protesting after being booked for a foul on Vahid Halilhodzic, while the penalty was awarded at the other and when Houska was brought down. Vitkovice were always the better team and Jiri Bartl went close with the 13th-minute header. Paris worried inexperienced reserve keeper Prusa only once and that was when Daniel Xuereb struck a post in the first half. In the second half Paris introduced Dominique Rocheteau as substitute to try to put some life into their attack. But it was the Czechs — with Bohus Keller forcing three fine saves from Joel Bats — who made most of the running. They also "won" 11-4 on corners. Paris boss Gerard Houllier said: "The better team won. Vitkovice's style is very good for cup football."

CUP WINNERS' CUP
1st rd, 2nd legs (Oct 1 unless stated)

Ajax 5 (Bosman 17,20,35,89, Van Basten 22)
Bursapor 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 20,000. **Ref:** Urizar (Sp)
Ajax 7-0 on agg.

Ajax: Menzo — Blind, Spelbos, Silooy, Wouters, Rijkaard (Winter 73), Bosman, Muhren (Dick 64), Van't Schip, Van Basten, Witschge.

Bursaspor: Eser — Turhan, Islam, Kerekes, Salih — Yalcin, Kalicanin, Beyhan (Memduh) — Ibrahim (Esat), B. Taner, Görsel.

Apollon Limassol 2 (Christodoula 42 and 44)
Malmo 1 (Lindman 12)
HT: 2-1. **Att:** 7,000. **Ref:** Petrescu (Rum)
Malmo 7-2 on agg

Bordeaux 4 (Zoran Vujovic 77, Zlatko Vujovic 84, Reinders 85, Vercruysse 89)
Waterford 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 10,000. **Ref:** Brindels (Lux). Played Sept 30.
Bordeaux 6-1 on agg

Bordeaux: Dropsy — Rohr, Battiston (Lassagne 80), Specht, Zoran Vujovic, Tigana, Ferreri, Girard, Vercruysse, Lacombe (Reinders 80), Zlatko Vujovic.

Waterford: Flavin — Power (Kearns 84), Synott, Finucane, Collard, Cashin, Grace, Donnelly, Burns, Bennett, Reid.

It was easy for Bordeaux. Yet they failed to turn their enormous superiority into goals until the last 13 minutes. The Vujovic twins figured prominently through the game — starting in the 18th minute when Zoran provided the cross which Zlatko converted for his first shot of the game. In the 52nd minute Bernard Lacombe beat three Waterford defenders and the keeper but shot wide. Four minutes later Lacombe shot weakly into the goalkeeper's arms after Phillipe Vercruysse tricked his way through the defence. Goals had to come: in the 77th minute Zoran Vujovic headed Bordeaux in front from a Jean-Marc Ferreri cross — then his brother repeated the trick, also from Ferreri's cross. West German Uwe Reinders made it 3-0 and then Vercruysse, just before the final whistle, added a fourth.

Brugge 3 (Brylle 41, Rosenthal 52, Van Wijk 88)
Rapid Vienna 3 (Kranjcar 53, Weinhofer 57, Halilovic 81)
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 20,000. **Ref:** Föckler (WG).
Rapid 7-6 on agg

Brugge: Vande Welle — Beyens, F. Van der Elst, Broos, Van Wijk — Creve, L. Van der Elst (De Grijze 62), Ceulemans, Querter — Brylle, Rosenthal.

Rapid: Feurer — Lainer, Garger, Brauneder, H. Weber, F. Weber, Kienast, Niedernacher, Weinhofer, Kranjcar (Heref 89), Halilovic.

Rapid won a thrilling tie, hitting back in the second half after they had fallen behind by two goals on the night and by one goal (plus the away goals advantage) on aggregate.

Dinamo Bucharest 1 (Camataru 81)
17 Nentori 2 (Minga 2, Josa 89)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 20,000. **Ref:** Axentiou (Cyp).
17 Nentori 3-1 on agg

Dinamo: Moraru — Varga (Suciu 61), Movila, Nicolae, Stanescu — Rednic, Andone (Dragnea 20), Mihaescu, Balaci — Camataru, Damaschin I.

Nentori: Mersini — Baci, Lekbello, Hodja, Bimo — Alimehmeti, Josa, Muca (Mema 85), Omuri — Minga, Kola.

GKS Katowice 1 (Koniarek 81)
Fram Reykjavik 0
Att: 8,000. **Ref:** Namoglu (Tur). Played Oct 2.
GKS 4-0 on agg.

GKS: Sek — Nazimek (Morcinek 63), Piekarczyk, Biegun, Kapias — Rzeszutek, Nawrocki, Wijas — Kubistal, Furtok, Koniarek.

Fram: Fridriksson — Orlygsson, Laxdal (Davidsson 79), Sveinsson, Thorkelsson — Ormslev, Jonsson, Gudjonsson, Thorsteinsson, Bjornsson — Torfasson.

Lillestrom 1 (Sundby 2)
Benfica 2 (Diamantino 25, Bjerkelund own goal 76)
HT: 1-1. **Att:** 7,750. **Ref:** Lund-Sorensen (Den).
Benfica 4-1 on agg

Lillestrom: Amundsen — Dyrstad, Smedas, Bjerkelund, Halle — Richardson, Sundby (Soggnnaes 68), Osvold, Erkandsen — Haaberg, Vaadal (Krogsaete 61).

Benfica: Silvino — Dito — Veloso, Antonio Bastos Lopes, Oliveira, Alvaro — Sheu, Diamantino, Nunes (Zivkovic 17), Carlos Manuel — Manniche (Rui Aguas 87).

Lokomotiv Leipzig 2 (Bredow 36, Richter 89)
Glentoran 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 7,200. **Ref:** Karlsson (Swe).
Leipzig 3-1 on agg.

Leipzig: Müller — Kreer, Baum, Lindner, Zötzsche, Bredow, Altmann, Liebers, Leitzke (Schöne 83), Richter, Kühn (Scholz 76).

Glentoran: Paterson — J. Smyth, Cowden, Connell, Moore, Cleary, Jameson, Morrison, McCartney, Millar, Stewart.

Lokomotiv Leipzig, regular European campaigners, knew just too much for Glentoran, despite the stern, defence-in-depth resistance organised by the Irishmen. They attacked throughout the game, forcing 15 corners to none for Glentoran, but found keeper Paterson in outstanding form. It was not until the 26th minute that Leipzig first threatened him, however — Kühn just failing to reach a dangerous cross from Zötzsche. A similar move ten minutes later brought the opening goal, however, when Bredow headed in another cross from the attacking fullback. Glentoran had few chances. Their best was in the 57th minute when Cleary fired a shot on the breakaway against the bar. Lindner responded by shaking a Glentoran post in the 73rd minute and then Altmann missed from close range a minute later. In the last minute Richter made the tie secure. Leipzig coach Hans-Ulrich Thomale said: "We deserved to win because we had so many chances. But it wasn't easy. Glentoran played well tactically." Glentoran boss Billy Johnston said: "They were better than us in all positions as well as technically and tactically. I was afraid of a bigger defeat so we have to be happy with our performance."

Sion 3 (Leighton og 5, Aziz Bouderbala 29, Brigger 88).
Aberdeen 0
HT: 2-0. **Att:** 11,800. **Ref:** Thomas (Hol).
Sion 4-2 on agg

Sion: Pittier — Sauthier — Balet, F. Rey, Rojevic — Alvaro Lopez, Bregy, Debonnaire (Fournier 46) — Bouderbala, Brigger, Bonvin.

Aberdeen: Leighton — Irvine, McLeish, Miller, Mitchell (Robertson 63) — McKimmie, Bett, Connor, Weir (Wright 67) — Stark, Hewitt. *Bett sent off, 38.

Aberdeen thrashed Sion on their way to winning the competition in 1983. But they never looked like staging a repeat — particularly after a disastrous first half in which keeper Jim Leighton conceded a fifth-minute own goal and in which Jim Bett was sent off. Sion's opening goal was a gift, Stewart McKimmie slicing a clearance attempt and a surprised Leighton merely helping the ball over the line. Leighton made amends in the 24th minute with a fine save to a header from Alain Balet after a free kick. But he had no chance in the 29th minute when Moroccan World Cup star Aziz Bouderbala turned home a cross from Christophe Bonvin. The linesman raised his flag for an infringement then lowered it again as the ball flew across. That upset the Scots and, as their frustration grew, so Bett was sent off in the 38th minute after two bad fouls inside six minutes on Alvaro Lopez and then Yves Debonnaire. Aberdeen had no option after the interval but to attack. Brian Mitchell forged his way into the Sion penalty box on one occasion but his shot flew wide. Instead it was Sion who wrapped up the scoring thanks to Jean-Paul Brigger's volley two minutes from the end.

Spartak Trnava 0
Stuttgart 0
Att: 17,500. **Ref:** Geurds (Hol).
Stuttgart 1-0 on agg

Trnava: Opalek — Cahanik, Fasiang, Ekardt, Kapcan — Klinovsky, Dian (Bros 88), Filo, Gabriel — Fijalka (Svrcek 74), Belansky.

Stuttgart: Immel — Beirlörzor — Schäfer, Buchwald — Allgöwer, Zietsch, Sigurvinsson, Merkle, Schröder — Klinsmann (Müller 88), Bunk (Hartmann 55).

Trnava dominated the first half and penned Stuttgart in defence. But when goals failed to come frustration turned to bad temper and the Czechoslovaks lost Gabriel, sent off in the 51st minute for a bad foul on Klismann.

Torpedo Moscow 3 (Savichev 21, Kruglov 38, Gostenin 67)
Haka Valkeakosti 1 (Prigoda og 70)
HT: 2-0. **Att:** 20,000. **Ref:** Helen (Swe).
Torpedo 5-3 on agg

Torpedo: Kharin — Kruglov, Kovach, Prigoda, Shaveyiko, Gostenin, Yuri Savichev, Kobsev, N. Savichev, Polukarov, Grishin (Shavlo 69).

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Haka: Huttunen — Cetala, Leonin, Vuorinen, Lehn, Pirinen, Mikela, Törnvall, Paatelainen, Moore, Wilson (Kuyanta 46).

Union Luxembourg 0
Olympiakos 3 (Papahristou 53, Zelilidis 84, Anastopulos 88)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 1,173. **Ref:** Goris (Bel)
Olympiakos 6-0 on agg

Velez Mostar 3 (Juric 55, 72, Tuce 76)
Vasas 2 (Csorda 80, Gudelj og 89)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 25,000. **Ref:** Wöhrer (Aus)
Velez: 5-4 on agg
Velez: Petranovic — Hadziabdic, G. Juric, Prskalo, Matijevic, Barbaric, Kajtaz (Gudelj 72), Skocajic (Medvedovic 76), P. Juric, Karabeg, Tuce.
Vasas: Kakas — Farkas, Racz, Csorda, Balogh, Elekes, Teodoru, Szijarto, Szabadi, Galaschek (Hermann 59), Borostyan (Zwara 76).

Vitosha 2 (Iskrenov 75, Sirakov 85)
B1903 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 10,000. **Ref:** Soldatic (Yug)
Vitosha 3-0 on agg
Vitosha: Mikhailov — Bankov, Koev, Petrov, N. Iliev, Markov, Gochev, Sirakov, Velev, Yordanov, Iskrenov.
B1903: P. Petersen — Ibenfeldt, Dalsborg, Friis-Hansen (M. Petersen 61), Kristensen, Nygard, Jens Hansen, J. J. Hansen, Rasmussen, Norager, Mathiesen.

Wrexham 4 (Massey 10 pen, 39, Steel 35, Horne 87)
Zurrieq 0
HT: 3-0. **Att:** 2,793. **Ref:** Oli Peter Olsen (Ice)
Wrexham 7-0 on agg
Wrexham: Pearce — Salthiel, Cunnington (Wright), M. Williams (F. Jones), Cooke, Comstive, Conroy, Horne, Steel, Massey, Emson.
Zurrieq: Pace — C. Camilleri, A. Camilleri, Cutajar, M. A. Schembri, Brincat, Bonnici, Micaleff, M. B. Schembri, Farrugia, Alzon.

The meagre attendance meant that Wrexham, already £400,000 in debt, lost money on the tie. Their failure to run up double figures against their weak Maltese opponents also infuriated manager Dixie McNeil who thought "we should have been far more clinical and knocked this side out of sight." Wrexham went ahead with a Steve Massey penalty after Alphonse Camilleri pulled down Barry Horne. Jim Steel grabbed another before Massey — who had provided the chance for Steel — claimed his own personal second, sweeping home a cross from Horne. Jim Steel made it 3-0 before half-time but then it was not until the 87th minute that Steel flicked on a Steve Charles cross for Horne to shoot past Zurrieq's postman-goalkeeper Andy Pace at second attempt. In all that time Mario Sohembri had been the only Maltese forward to come anywhere near a threat to Wrexham keeper Chris Pearce — once in each half. Wrexham's best chance, apart from the goals, was in the 61st minute when Paul Emson headed over Pace only for Pierre Brincat to clear off the line.

Zaragoza 2 (Señor 44 pen and 47 pen)
Roma 0
HT: 1-0. **90 min: 2-0. Att:** 45,000. **Ref:** Courtney (Eng)
Zaragoza 4-3 on pens: 2-2 on agg aet
Zaragoza: Cedrun — Casuco, Garcia, Cortes, Julia, Fraile, Guerri, Yañez, Señor, Ruben Sosa (Ayneto 46), Herrera, Piñeda (Mejias 117).
Roma: Tancredi — Baroni, Gerolin, Boniek, Nela, Righetti, Desideri, Giannini, Pruzzo (Agostini 62), Ancelotti, Di Carlo (Berggren 51).

Andoni Cedrun honoured the family tradition — his father, Carmelo Cedrun, kept goal against Manchester United in Europe nearly 20 years ago — in fine style with the vital penalty saves which ruined Roma's prospects as one of the competition favourites. Roma had won 2-0 at home and, watched by Italy's new national manager Azeglio Vicini, were not overtaxed by Zaragoza's attack in the opening half hour. As the crowd grew more restive — Gerolin fell, hit by a missile thrown from the stands — so Roma lost their composure. Just before half-time Righetti elbowed Fraile off the ball in a goal area skirmish and, to Roma fury, English referee George Courtney awarded a penalty. World Cup midfielder Juan Señor beat Tancredi and then beat him again when Courtney, spotting an infringement, ordered that the kick be retaken. Zaragoza, given new hope, stormed forward at the start of the second half. The hapless Gerolin fouled Piñeda and Señor again put away the penalty to level the scores.

It remained 2-2 on aggregate all the way through to the end of extra time and then came the penalty shoot-out. Cedrun saved successive kicks from Polish star Zbigniew Boniek and from Roma skipper Carlo Ancelotti . . . and Zaragoza were through.

UEFA CUP

1st rnd, 2nd legs (Oct 1 unless stated)

AEK Athens 0
Internazionale 1 (Passarella 8)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 60,000. **Ref:** U. Eriksson (Swe).
Played: Oct 2.
Inter 3-0 on agg
AEK: Papadopulos — Hatzis, Armodoros, Manolas, Hatzopulos, Papaioannu, Georghiadis, Ballis (Pias 37), Sandberg, Esterhazy, Karagiozopulos (Patikas 57).
Inter: Zenga — Bergomi, Calcaterra, G. Baresi, Ferri, Passarella, Fanna, Tardelli, Altobelli, Matteoli, Mandorlini.

Barcelona 0
Flamurtari 0
Att: 16,000. **Ref:** Da Silva Santos (Por)
Barcelona on away goal: 1-1 on agg
Barcelona: Zubizarreta — Gerardo, Migueli, Moratalla, Julio Alberto — Pedraza (Esteban 75), Urbano (Victor 69), Roberto — Marcos, Hughes, Linekar.
Flamurtari: Lekbello — P. Ruci (Mucha 85), Cipii, Lushaj, Taho, Ziu — V. Ruci (Iliadhi 77), Ferko Ziaj, Gjondea — Bubeci.

Terry Venables's Barcelona were jeered off by their own fans after this disappointing night's work. Also heard among the terrace chorus were chants of: 'Schuster, Schuster . . .' The controversial West German may not be part of the Venables plan for Barsa but the fans have not forgotten him. Flamurtari's players missed the first leg of their flight back to Albania the next morning, assembling in their hotel nearly an hour late.

Bayer Leverkusen 3 (Drews 62, Rolff 64, Cha 89)
Kalmar FF 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 10,000. **Ref:** Bridges (Wal)
Leverkusen 7-1 on agg
Leverkusen: Vollborn — Hörster — Zanter (Hausmann 46), Reinhardt — Götz, Schreier, Drews, Rolff, Hinterberger — Waas (Kohn 70), Cha.
Kalmar: Friberg — H. Arvidsson, Wigstedt, M. Arvidsson — Jägerbrink (Nordenhem 73), Karlström — Holmberg, Nilsson, Marko (Jansson 54), Karlsson, Erlandsson.

Boavista 1 (Nelson 8)
Fiorentina 0
HT: 1-0. 90 mins: **Att:** 10,000. **Ref:** Keizer (Hol).
Played: Oct 2.
Boavista 3-1 on pens aet: 1-1 on agg
Boavista: Hubart — Queiro, Frederico, Caetano, Tonanha, Adao (Barny 46), Coelho, Walker, Nelson, Ribeiro (Agatao 89), Casaca.
Fiorentina: Landucci — Gentile, Contratto, Carobbi (Maldera 117), Pin, Galbiati, Berti, Oriali, Diaz, Onorati, Monelli.

Carl Zeiss Jena 0
Bayer Uerdingen 4 (Herget 68, Edvaldsson 76, Kuntz 77, Bömmer 89)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 15,150. **Ref:** Crucke (Bel)
Uerdingen 7-0 on agg
Jena: Bräutigam — Peschke — Penzel, Röser — Brauer (Meixner 68), Krause, Ludwig, Börger, Pittelkow — Bilau, Burow.
Bayer: Vollack — Hergeth — Thommessen (Van de Loo 79), Dämgen — Bommer, Edvaldsson, Klinger, W. Funkel, Buttegereit — Kuntz, Basten.

Dnepr 0
Legia Warsaw 1 (Araszkiewicz 77)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 18,000. **Ref:** Hutak (Hun)
Legia 1-0 on agg
Dnepr: Krakovsky — Bashkirov, Sorokalet, Puchkov, Fedyukov (Gavrilov 46) — Bagmut, Litovchenko, Sokh, Liuti — Protasov, Taran (Kudrichli 81).
Legia: Kazimierski — Kubicki, A. Sikorski, Gawara, Wdowczyk — Kaczmarek, Karas, W. Sikorski — Dziekanowski (Buda 30; K. Iwanicki 66), Araszkiewicz, Arceusz.

Dukla Praha 1 (Griga 54)
Hearts 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 3,250. **Ref:** Forstinger (Aus)
Dukla on away goals: 3-3 on agg
Dukla: Kostelnik — Lausman, Fiala, Novak, Rada — Vodicka, Urban, Kriz (Vadura 86) — Bittengel, Korejcik (Griga 8), Luhovy.
Hearts: Smith — Kidd (Watson 78), Jardine, Levein, Whittaker — Berry, Black, McKay — Colquhoun, Clark, Foster (Robertson 46).

A goal from substitute Stanislav Griga ended Hearts' European campaign almost before it had begun. Yet the Scots had chances. As early as the fourth minute the Dukla defence was caught wide open and both Wayne Foster and John Colquhoun forced Kostelnik into fine saves.

Dundee Utd 2 (Milne 54, Coyne 59)
Lens 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 11,645. **Ref:** Pieri (It)
Dundee Utd 2-1 on agg
Dundee Utd: B. Thomson — Malpas, McGinnis, Beaumont, Hegarty, McInally, Coyne (Bowman 77), Milne, Bannon, Sturrock, Redford.
Lens: Huard — Sikora, Catalano, Senac, Gillot, Krawczyk, Lefebvre (Ramos 74), Deplanche, Dewilder, Oudjani (Hanini 79), Carreno.

Ralph Milne was the hero, turning the tie around after Lens' defence controlled the first half. Indeed, the French might have scored early on when Oudjani wasted a golden chance from 10 yards after Lefebvre ran through unchallenged. In the 20th minute Ian Radford forced a brilliant save from Lens keeper Huart, who pushed his shot onto the bar, and then Maurice Malpas had two long-range efforts. But in the second half United suddenly got the range of the French goal. Milne opened the way as he scored his 15th goal in European competitions thanks to a ball cut back from Paul Sturrock. Five minutes later and this time Milne was the creator, beating the French offside trap, so that Tommy Coyne could strike the aggregate winner. Lens protested vehemently.

Feyenoord 2 (Heus 67, Hofman 84)
Pecs 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 26,679. **Ref:** Hill (Eng)
Feyenoord 2-1 on agg
Feyenoord: Hiele — Wijnstekers (Blinker 46), Van Herpen, Troost — Molenaar, Hoekstra, Been, Heus — Hofman (Barendsen 85), Elstrup, Tahamata.
Pecs: Bodnar — Konya, Toma, Roth, Breznicky (Bendes 46) — Dobany (Lovasz 74), Megyeri, Berczy, Turi, Lutz — Meszaros.

European Cups special

Galatasaray 2 (Cuneyt 63, Savas 86)
Un. Craiova 1 (Bita 1)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 20,000. **Ref:** Lo Bello (It)
Craiova 3-2 on agg
Galatasaray: Simovic — Ismail, Rasit, Erhan (Muhammed 69), Semih, Yusuf, Arif, Ahmet, Prekazi, Savas, Cüneyt.
Craiova: Lung — Ad. Popescu, Rada, Sandoi, Ungureanu — Bicu (Racoltea 88), Irimescu, G. Popescu, Manaila, Geolgau (Bica 82), Bita.

Craiova had goalkeeper and skipper Lung sent off five minutes from the end for arguing with Italian referee Rosario Lo Bello after the Turks' controversial winning goal. Lung claimed he had been fouled before Savas put the ball in the net. The goal was enough to bring victory on the night for Jupp Derwall's men but the Rumanians managed to squeeze into the second round.

Galway Utd 1 (Murphy 75)
Gronigen 3 (Houtman 24, 56, de Kock 37)
HT: 0-2 **Att:** 2,000. **Ref:** Biguet (Fr)
Groningen 8-2 on agg
Blackmore: Ashton, Carpenter, Cassidy, Moran, O'Toole, Murphy (Kileen), O'Flaherty (Lally), Mernagh, McDonnell, McGee.
Groningen: Storm — Mason, Van der Berg (Gall), De Wolf, Verkuyl, Van Dyk, Olde Riekerink (Waslander), Roossien, Houtman, De Kock, Eykelkamp.

Peter Houtman, who scored a first-leg hat-trick, took Galway apart again as the Dutch side strolled comfortably into the second round. Houtman's first goal was created by the former Everton youth player, Paul Mason.

Gent 1 (Hinderyckx 53)
Jeunesse d'Esch 1 (Guillot 43)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 10,500. **Ref:** Wallace (RI)
Gent 3-2 on agg
Gent: Laurijssen — De Kneef, Dewolf, Criel, Gijbels, Van Mierlo, Nollet, Ruzic, Hinderyckx, Cordiez, Van Looy (Raeven 88).
Jeuness: Van Rijswick — Müller, Welscher, De Pentina, Barboni, Serrassini, Kemp (Their 72), Szijuto, Mogenot, Scholten, Guillot.

Györ 0
Minsk Dynamo 1 (Rodnienok 26)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 20,000. **Ref:** Petrovic (Yug)
Györ 4-3 on agg
Györ: Ulbert — Csonka, Hlagyvik, Horvath (Somogyi 39), Turbek — Szabo, Kiss, Rubold, Preszeller — Szentes, Handel (Melis 81).
Minsk: Zhekiu — Yanushevksy, Borovsky, Trukhan — Rodnienok (Salimo 64), Kisteny, Aleinikov, Zigmantovich, Kurnyenin — Kondratiev, Sokol (Derkach 75).

Hajduk Split 4 (Jerolimov 4, Bursac 36,50, Deveric 47)
OFI Crete 0
HT: 2-0. **Att:** 16,500. **Ref:** Krchnak (Cz)
Hajduk 4-1 on agg
Hajduk: Pralija — Miljus, Setinoc, Andrijasevic, Jarni, Celic (Mise 75), Jerolimov (Tipuric 60), Peruzovic, Bursac, Asanovic, Deveric.
OFI: Mitseas — Andreanidis, Vasiliou, Papavasiliou, Michalitisis, Cinos (Golisis 66), Niomplias, Isis, Saamrois, Janjanin, Vlastos (Charalambidis 61).

IFK Gothenburg 4 (Rantanen 13, M. Andersson 40, Ekstrom 85,87)
Sigma Olomouc 0
HT: 2-0. **Att:** 11,167. **Ref:** King (Wal)
IFK 5-1 on agg
IFK: Wenersson — R. Nilsson, Hysen, M. Carlsson, Fredriksson — Larsson, J. Carlsson (Johansson 54), Andersson, Holmgren (Mordt 85) — Ekstrom, Rantanen.
Sigma: Laslop — Beznoska, Mlejnek, Vyskocil, Mrazek — Malik (Muchka 46), Machala, Sisma, Rychtera — Prilozny, Sedlacek (Jiri Fiala 53).

Ilves 2 (Hjelm 54 pen, Uimonen 73)
Rangers 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 2,109. **Ref:** Gregr (Cz)
Rangers 4-2 on agg
Rangers had a Finnish fright on their way into the second round. Player-manager Graeme Souness left himself out because of a calf injury but it seemed he had nothing to worry about whan keeper Chris Woods had just one shot — from Mika Lipponen — to save in the first 50 minutes. But then Dave McPherson brought down Ari Hjelm, the Finn shot home his penalty, and the picture changed. Rangers began to look uneasy and uncertain and Ilves delighted their small crowd by snatching a second goal when Uimonen headed home a cross from Lemivaara. It could have been 3-0 by then, but Dougie Bell had earlier managed to head off the line an effort from Ilves' import Michael Belfield. Souness said: "It was always going to be a problem, trying to adjust to playing in front of such a small crowd. But that's the only thing I can say in the players' defence. The rest is for the privacy of the dressing room."

Luzern 0
Spartak Moscow 1 (Kuschliyev 88)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 17,900. **Ref:** Marko (Cz)
Spartak 1-0 on agg
Luzern: Waser — Wehrli — Marini, Widmer, Birrer — Burri, Rene Müller, Mohr, Kaufmann — Bernaschina, Halter (Martin Müller 46).
Spartak: Dassayev — Susloparov — Kayumov, Boris Kuznetsov — Yevgeni Kuznetsov, Khidiatulin, Ataulin, Cherenkov, Yermenko — Kushliyev, Rodionov.

Lyngby 1 Henrik Jorgensen 72)
Neuchatel Xamax 3 (Jacobacci 2, Luethi 38, 44)
HT: 0-3. **Att:** 4,062. **Ref:** Peschel (EG)
Xamax 5-1 on agg
Lyngby: Henrik Christensen — Sorensen — Packness, John Larsen, Henrik Larsen — Bent Christensen, Schäfer, F. Nielsen (Gothenborg 46), Christophersen — Terkelsen (Jorgenson 46), Spangsborg.
Xamax: Corminboeuf — Givens — Urban, Thevenaz, Ryf (Mottiez 59) — Stielike, Ley-Ravello, Hermann — Sutter, Lüthi, Jacobacci (Zaugg 77).

Magdeburg 1 (Windelband 33)
Athletic Bilbao 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 25,000. **Ref:** Biguet (Fr)
Bilbao 2-1 on agg
Magdeburg: Heine — Schussler, Stahmann, Dobbelin, Siersleben — Cebulla (Roter 50), Steinbach, Kirchner (Kohler 82), Wuckel — Halata, Windelband.
Bilbao: Biurrun — Urquiaga, Liceranzu Goicoechea, De la Fuente (Eiguezabal 31) — Gallego, Gomez, Pachi Salinas, Luis Fernando — Endika (Sarabia 88), Argote.

Omonia 1 (Savvides 79)
Sportul Bucharest 1 (Iorgulescu 44)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 3,000. **Ref:** Voutsaras (Gr)
Sportul 2-1 on agg
Omonia: Charitou — Mavris, Ebagoras, Tsikos, Christodulou — Zahariadis (Haralambos 23), Surupas, Zethinski (Dimitriou 62) — Kandilos, Djevizov, Savidis.
Sportul: Cristian — M. Marian, Iorgulescu, Cazan, Munteanu II (Burchel 73) — Ticleanu, Pana, Bozesan, Hagi — Terhes (Stanici 89), Coras.

Partizan 1 (Vucicevic 47)
Borussia Mg 3 (Dressen 27, Brandts 82, Lienen 85)
HT: 0-1. **Att:** 65,000. **Ref:** Wurtz (Fr)
Borussia Mg 4-1 on agg
Partizan: Omerovic — Capljic — Bajovic (Anic 75), Vermezovic — Katanec, Zupic, Bogdanovic (Smajic 46), Stevanovic — Djelmas, Vokrri, Vucicevic.
Borussia: Kamps — Bruns — Winkhold, Borowka — Krauss, Dressen, Rahn, Bakalorz (Krisp 69), Lienen, Frontzeck — Thiele (Brandts 79).

Sporting Lisbon 6 (Meade 18, Zinho 23, 43, McDonald 72, Mario 78, 87)
IA Akranes 0
HT: 3-0. **Att:** 20,000. **Ref:** Pes Perez (Sp)
Sporting Lisbon 15-0 on agg
Sporting: Damas — Gabriel, Venancio, Morato, Oceano — Zinho, Negrete, Litos (Mario Jorge 71), Mario — Manuel Fernandes (Meade 16), McDonald.
Akranes: Kristinsson — Jonsson, Larusson, Thordarsson, Bardasson, O. Thordarsson, Gudmundsson, Trygvasson, Hakonarsson, Sveinsson (Johanesson 80), Petursson.

Scredets 2 (Tanev 35 pen, Kostadinov 80)
FC Tirol 0
HT: 1-0 **Att:** 20,000. **Ref:** Gächter (Swz). Played Sep 30.
Sredets 2-0 on agg
Sredets: Velinov — Bezinski, Chervenkov, Mladenov (Alexandrov 46), Borisov (I. Dimitrov 70), Chavdarov, Kostadinov, Stoichkov, Pénev, Tanev, Yanchev.
Tirol: Ivkovic — Edil (Peischel 57, Eder 74), Messlender, Steinbauer, Auer, Pacult, Linzmaier, Koreimann, Roscher, Hansi Müller, Spielmann.

Stahl Brandenburg 1 (Jeske 43)
Coleraine 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 15,000. **Ref:** Narti (Fin)
Stahl 2-1 on agg
Stahl: Zimmer — Märzke, Ringk, Pahlke, Demuth, Ferl (Wangerin 88), Janotta, Gumz (Schoknecht 62), Voss, Pfahl, Jeske.
Coleraine: Platt — Tapp, Henry, Edgar, Wade, McDowell, Sloan, Healy, McQuiston (O'Neill 80), McGarnaghan, McCoy.

Stahl, making their first appearance this season in Europe, attacked from the start but met constant frustration until a terrible blunder by Coleraine's goalkeeper-manager Jim Platt presented Jeske with the only goal. Platt said: "I didn't have a great day . . ." Stahl coach Peter Kohl said: "we pout on all the pressure and deserved to win — however it came."

Standard Liege 1 (Bodart 65 pen)
Rijeka 1 (Jankovic 50)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 20,000. **Ref:** Guruceta (Sp)
Standard 2-1 on agg
Standard: Bodart — Luyckx, Thomas, Siquet, Ausoms, Delangre, Petrovic, Claesen, Czerniatynski, Vandersmissen, Repcic. *Delangre sent off, 88.
Rijenka: Ravnic — Jelavic, Milenkovic, Kotur, Paliska, Sredojevic, Jankovic, Radmanovic, Matirljan, Valéncic (Skorjanc 75), Vujcic. *Jankovic sent off, 89.

Standard goalkeeper Gilbert Bodart was involved in both goals — making up for being beaten by Jankovic by converting the penalty which brough Standard's equaliser on the night and restored their overall lead.

Torino 1 (Kieft 49 pen)
Nantes 1 (Anziani 66)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 30,000. **Ref:** Hackett (Eng)
Torino 5-1 on agg
Torino: Lorieri — Corradini, Francini (Rossi 46), Cravero, Junior, Ferri, Beruatto, Sabato, Kieft, Dossena, Comi.
Nantes: Bertrand-Demanes — Kombouare, Olarticoechea (Delanoe 86), Desailly, Deschamps (Obry 77), Baronchelli, Robert, Burruchaga, Anziani, Morice, Amisse.

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English duo join strike in Greece

from Lou Economopoulos in Athens

"GARY, you must play. After all, AEK will be using Esterhazy," a Panionios official told former West Bromwich midfielder Gary Owen in an effort to press two English players — Terry Curran being the other — to play in the Greek first division on the day most of the locals went on strike.

Simultaneously, in the AEK dressing room, team officials told Hungarian star Marton Esterhazy that Panionios would be using their two English players.

The three foreign players met in the hallway before the start of the contest. Owen asked Esterhazy if he were going to play. "Only if you guys play," he said.

Owen said: "I'm a professional. I'm not going to be a strike-breaker. I eat the same bread that the Greek players eat. I want to play soccer, but I'm not going to have someone chasing to kick me every Sunday because I broke the strike."

Thus the three foreign players decided to strike along with members of the Greek professional soccer players association in support of grievances against the owners' association.

Some games were played, but most professional players stayed away. Champions Panathinaikos and Aris refused to play, as did the teams from Apollon Kalamarias, Yannina, Diagoras Rhodes and OFI.

The only match which had professionals playing was the PAOK v Doxa Dramas contest which ended with PAOK winning 4-1. Larisa used professional players to blast the Ethnikos stand-in amateurs 9-0. Amateur teams comprised the other three matches which saw Olympiakos beat Apollon Athens, 3-1, AEK and Panionios draw 1-1 and Verria and Iraklis 2-2.

It is still uncertain how the opening day results will be viewed even though the strike was settled a few days later and Sports Undersecretary Sifis Valirakis said the results would be considered valid by state authorities.

So things were back to normal going into the October action — PAOK of Salonica taking the lead in the table having gathered seven points in the first four matches of the season. A 1-0 victory against cross-town rival Aris in front of 25,000 spectators lifted PAOK to No 1 spot.

OFI of Crete continue their fine showing — they finished a surprising second last season — but Panathinaikos were in 11th place still searching for their first triumph.

At the end of September they lost 2-0 at Diagoras in Rhodes, newcomers to the first division. An angry mob of 50 Panathinaikos "fans" were waiting to "greet" their team upon their return to Athens, but the bus took the players from the airport parking area without the players going through the arrival area where the "fans" were waiting.

Panionios, fifth with four points, lost Curran before the second match of the season. He took off for England after he failed to receive the 2.5 million drachmas owed to him by the Nea Smyrni club. Panionios had hopes of gathering that money during the Panionios-AEK match, but because of the players' strike, few fans turned out and the income was minimal.

Team officials claimed they were relieved to see Curran go because they were not too happy with him. On the other hand, they would like to hold on to Owen, who has scored one of the club's three goals so far!

Barcelona to

A MINI CRISIS cost Real Madrid their place at the top of the Spanish first division — to the delight of arch rivals Barcelona, who leap-frogged ahead.

In an eight-day spell Madrid lost 1-0 at Osasuna — under a hail of missiles — were held 1-1 at home by Barcelona and then struggled to a 0-0 draw with Santander. Terry Venables's men took maximum advantage to move one point clear of Atletico Madrid at the top with Real now two points adrift in third place.

The Madrid-Barcelona game was a disappointment. Madrid lost new defender Mino, injured, early on and in their defensive confusion gave away a bad goal to Pedraza. It was not until late in the half that Hugo Sanchez struck the equaliser from a twice-taken penalty.

New Madrid coach Leo Beenhakker was not a happy man — nor were all his players happy with him, particularly after he called to a halt to the stars' meeting which had been held before each match under the benign reign of predecessor Luis Molowny.

A further problem was the continued absence of Spain centre-back Antonio Maceda, who underwent his third knee operation in a year and is not likely to be seen in action until the start of January.

Previously the champions had been in excellent form, spearheaded by the remarkable Sanchez. He made a disappointing return to Mexico for the World Cup, but back in Spain he had been his usual unstoppable and

ENZO DOUBLE SIN

FRANCE suffered a disappointment in the defence of their European title when the Soviet Union won 2-0 in Paris. It was an anti-climax after a month's build-up inevitably overshadowed by the match and by the will he, won't he, can he, can't he of skipper Michel Platini.

In the event he played, but he couldn't . . . as it were. So let me be permitted to write instead about another famous attacking player, another 1986 World Cup man: Enzo Francescoli.

After all, if you *are* suddenly going to come good after eight dud games without a goal, the best time to do it is with two goals to beat Paris Saint-Germain with Racing Club, in the Parc des Princes.

Francescoli did just that, inspired to some extent no doubt by the presence in the team for the first time of Ruben Paz, the little attacker who had last lined up with him in Puebla in the closing stages of the World Cup second round match against Argentina. Pierre Littbarski, a World Cup winner for West Germany, sat this one out and looked as though he might be sitting things out for quite a long time. Just as well that Racing, whatever their worries on the field, should have few worries about money.

Francescoli's first goal was a rocketing free kick, which reminded one that in his River Plate days, he had been the designated free kicker. The other was a long, carefully judged run from just over the halfway line, ensuring that he was not offside as he ran on to beat Joel Bats.

A 32,000 crowd saw a very odd game. Francescoli found the atmosphere a bit tepid. Still, the result mattered a great deal, no matter how strangely it was gained. And it must especially have pleased that eternal optimist Luis Fernandez, who had crossed Paris for Racing, from Paris S-G, only last summer; and had just been the only man who seemed to derive any comfort or satisfaction out of France's bleak goalless draw in Iceland. A game in which Vercruysse, perhaps playing too far forward, was as ineffective as Genghini, and in which even Tigana could not get things going.

The start of the season was a very odd one for both Parisian clubs; almost as odd as the derby game, in which Bocandé, last season's dreadlocked leading League scorer with Metz, tapped in what looked a perfectly good, almost immediate, goal, when the Racing keeper collided with a defender; only to find himself penalised for what one could only call a phantom offside. But next came a phantom penalty, when the Yugoslave Susic hurled himself to the

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spectacular self. Sanchez has been the leading marksman in Spain for the past two seasons, and so far this term has already put away eight goals.

He opened his account on the opening day of the league, scoring the only goal of Real's match away to newly promoted Murcia, who, incidentally, feature the Moroccan World Cup midfielder Timouni in their ranks. Sanchez was at his brilliant best in the visit to Betis of Sevilla three weeks later. Real crushed the Andalucians by a remarkable 6-2, and the Mexican led the rout with a hat-trick.

The man most likely to push Sanchez hard for the title of leading marksman is Barcelona's Gary Lineker, currently with his total on four. Like Sanchez, Lineker began in fine style, scoring after only two minutes in Barca's opening match, at home to Santander.

Twenty minutes later the Englishman made it 2-0, and that's how it remained until the end.

In the following weeks, Linekar and Welsh partner Mark Hughes were criticised in the media for failing to link up with the rest of the team, and the decision of Terry Venables to buy them and relegate Bernd Schuster and Steve Archibald to the nursery team was generally criticised. But then Lineker came up trumps in the 2-2 draw away to rejuvenated Bilbao — now under the command of their famous ex-goalkeeper Jose Angel Iribar — first causing Urtubi to put through his own goal and then scoring with a splendid individual effort.

No doubt the other two British coaches in Spain — John Toshack at Real Sociedad and Jock Wallace at Sevilla — are wishing that they had a goalscorer like Lineker to rely upon. Both teams are in the bottom half of the table, and could well be in line for a struggle against relegation.

Such a struggle was expected to be the fate of newly-promoted Mallorca. But the islanders are currently flying high, thanks largely to the outstanding performances of Moroccan World Cup goalkeeper Zaki and Spanish Under-21 midfielder Orihuela. Playing at home to Atletico Madrid, Mallorca were 2-3 down with only 10 minutes left. Instead of resigning themselves to defeat, they stormed upfield and snatched a sensational victory with two late strikes.

Another promising young midfielder is Eusebio of Valladolid. Having been the under-21s', playmaker for two successful years, he was called up for his full international debut in the 3-1 friendly win over Greece in Gijon. Spanish football in general will be enriched in the years to come if this young man comes anywhere near emulating the feats of his Portuguese namesake.

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ground inside Racing's box. Hailhodzic took it and scored. The referee decided Bocandé had moved into the box and said take it again. This time Halilhodzic hit the post. So in the end the rather fortunate Racing side triumphed. A few days later on the same stadium, Paris S-G failed to win their home leg in the European Cup against the Czech Champions. How right their amiable and gifted manager Houllier was when he warned it was going to take quite a time for them to bed down. But even he could scarcely have believed Bocandé would start so badly.

Francescoli of course started badly too. He says it was all a question of settling down; everything was strange, the food, the life, the play, which was faster than he had been used to in South America. At the beginning, the only person he ever went out with was his compatriot Umpierrez. Now he goes out he says with other friends, while his wife gets on well with the wife of Luis Fernandez. Asked whether he prefers to play with Paz rather than Littbarski, he becomes very tactful and says he is used to playing with Paz, but Littbarski is well known as a fine player, too.

Doing really well in no time at all is Blaz Sliskovic, the inside forward from Hajduk Split who for so long was spurned by a Yugoslav team, which surely needed him, and now finds himself the star turn with Marseille. Everyone knew what a superb talent the Bosnian had; but it had also been said of him that the day when he thought about nothing but football, he would be unstoppable by anyone in the world.

A fellow Yugoslav Olarevic, assistant manager to Banide at Marseille and once manager of the Yugoslav Olympic team, is inseparable from the moustached Sliskovic, who speaks neither French nor English. Certainly for the moment Sliskovic seems to be thinking of nothing but football, and the results are such as to erase from the memory of the fans even Josip Skoblar, the Yugoslave striker who put away so many goals for Marseille in his day.

Sliskovic took no time at all to find an understanding with little Alain Giresse, just arrived from Bordeaux and, oddly enough, slower to settle down than Sliskovic. Of whom, if he continues to play for his country, England, in the Nations Cup, had better beware.

Still only 27 — he had a special dispensation to leave Yugolsavia before the age of 28 — Sliskovic has a right foot with few equals. He uses it to take insidious corners, or to strike splendid swerving free kicks; such as one which beat the goalkeeper but struck the bar, against Toulon. He smokes, but it seems to make no difference. It certainly doesn't stop him scoring direct, as he did in this game, from an inswinging corner.

Hajduk has certainly made a great contribution to French football, this season, The Vujovic brothers made a very good start with Bordeaux, and guess what, the makeshift" defender Zoran, without whom the prolific striker Zlatko wouldn't come, has sometimes outshone his twin brother. Such as in the game won in Sochaux, where Zlatko got the decisive goal a minute from time, but Zoran, at the back, was with goalkeeper Dropsy the best player on the field.

HONOURS EVEN . . . Gary Lineker and Real Madrid's Ricardo Gallego after the 1-1 draw in Madrid.

But there are plenty of native born players who are more than holding their own. Such as 25-year-old Dominique Bijotat, who won a full cap away to Switzerland and not long afterwards, from midfield, shot two splendid goals to enable Monaco to beat Nantes 3-1, after Nantes had taken the lead.

Bijotat is a player to whom the doors of the French team could well open again, despite the fact that there are so many good midfield players in contention. Born in January, 1961, this is no less than his eighth season at Monaco. In fact he is a comparatively rare goal scorer; goals such as those he's scored this season put the cap on his busy, clever activity in the Monaco midfield.

YOUTH CUP FOR CANADA

from COLIN JOSE

THE 1986 soccer season in Canada is rapidly drawing to a close. However, it is not events in Canada that have attracted the greatest attention this year, but rather the performances of Canadian teams in other parts of the world.

On June 1 in Mexico, Canada made their debut on the World Cup stage and despite failing to win a game, or even score a goal, emerged with a great deal of credibility. Then during the latter half of August the national youth visited Trinidad and Tobago to win the CONCACAF Youth Tournament for the first time.

While this was going on in the Caribbean the team prepared for the 1988 Olympics were half a world away in Singapore, competing in and finished third in the Merlion Cup. Not to be outdone at almost the same time the national under-16 team were playing in Holland and West Germany.

But of course it was the World Cup that attracted the greatest interest and the most comment. Canada were rank outsiders, playing in their first finals and not expected to do well against teams of the calibre of France, Hungary and the Soviet Union. Yet Canada held France scoreless until the 78th minute and came close to scoring on several occasions before that.

Canadian coach Tony Waiters was pleased despite the loss: "Canada proved we have the capability to go against the best in the world," he said after the game. "We proved that the battling Canadians have every right to be in the World Cup."

Canada of course had had problems getting a squad together because players playing in the Major Indoor Soccer League in the United States and in Switzerland and Northern Ireland were not released until the last minute. Some in fact missed the teams altitude training while centre-back Ian Bridge did his own altitude training 5,000 feet up in the Alps in the small Swiss resort of Chasseral.

Following Hungary's 6-0 hammering by the Soviet Union the Canadians felt they had a good chance of beating the Hungarians but a deflection early in the game that led to a goal enabled Hungary to dictate the game. Hungarian boss Gyozgy Mezey, who admitted to being very concerned before the game said afterwards. "This game wasn't against Canada for us. It was the players against themselves. They overcame their Soviet loss and I consider that a good win."

Finally Canada lost to the Soviet Union, after once again holding their more powerful opponents scoreless until well into the second half. Soviet coach Valeri Lobanovsky chose to rest most of his first team squad for this game, but said: "We didn't take Canada lightly. We just tried different strategies."

Despite their three defeats the Canadian players were not dispirited and veteran full-back Bobby Lenarduzzi said: "We came in wanting to do well. We didn't know if we belonged here. Now we know we belong and our expectations have changed."

Striker Dale Mitchell was looking forward to the next time, saying: "I think we performed well. Anyone who watched the games could see we were in all three of them. Maybe if there was one criticism of us it was we showed a little too much respect for the opposition. But hopefully we won't show them as much respect the next time."

Centre-back Randy Samuel played so well during the World Cup that he was signed to a three-year contract by the Dutch club PSV Eindhoven shortly afterwards while goalkeeper Paul Dolan has attacted the attention of Sheffield Wednesday.

The World Cup over and Canadian soccer turned its attention to qualifying for the 1987 FIFA World Youth Championship. Canada had qualified previously in 1979 and 1985 and were expecting the big challenge for a place in Chile to come from Mexico and the United States.

Surprisingly the Mexicans failed to make it past the first round being defeated 3-0 by an American team whose assistant coach was former Liverpool star Steve Heighway. Eventually the Americans went on to qualify behind Canada, with the Canadians being undefeated in seven games while scoring 23 goals and conceding just two.

The Canadians were coached by Tony Taylor, whose playing career took him from Kilmarnock on to Celtic, Morton, Crystal Palace, Southend, Hamilton Academicals, Swindon, Bristol Rovers, Portsmouth, Albion Rovers and Northampton, before he moved to Canada in 1980.

Following the tournament he said with some justification that "Canada was the best team in the competition. We played good soccer, were well organised and things went as planned."

Of the surprising elimination of Mexico he felt that the Mexicans took the United States too lightly — "The attitude of the Mexicans at the opening of the tournament seemed to be 'We've won it'," he said.

In Singapore for the fifth annual Merlion Cup, Canada were considered by many observers the best team in the competiton. However, a defensive error against the Rupublic of China and a failure to break down the defensive tactics of the North Koreans cost them a place in the final.

Playing under new national team coach Bob Bearpark, formerly an assistant to Waiters, Canada beat Singapore 1-0 and Malaysia 5-0 before being held to a scoreless draw by North Korea. A 4-0 win over Malaysia followed and then a 1-0 loss to China. In the semi-final Canada were beaten 2-0 on two second half goals by the Koreans but captured third place by beating Singapore 1-0 for the second time.

In the final China defeated North Korea 2-1 but Bearpark felt that: "The Koreans were the strongest team in the tournament. They played good quick, one-touch soccer and in the final had five times the chances that China had."

Bearpark went to Singapore with the 1988 Olympics in mind and despite the fact the he had only seven of the World Cup squad on hand was very pleased with his team's overall performance and in particular the younger players.

Canada were without midfielder Randy Ragan for the semi-final, Ragan having returned to Toronto to attend law school. Bearpark, who was born in Berwick and at one time played for Bath City in the English Southern League admitted that Canada had missed Ragan saying that: Ragan is an outstanding player who does not get the attention he deserves. I can't think of any midfield player in the world who defends as well."

At the same time in Europe, preparing for the 1987 FIFA World Under-16 Tournament which will be staged in Canada, Canada's under-16 started badly by losing 3-0 to Holland. This was followed by a 1-1 tie with the youth team of FC Epe of Holland and a 1-0 loss to FC Bocholt of West Germany.

Finally Canada earned a 2-2 tie in a return game against the Dutch under-16 team. Canada's under-16 team is coached by Brian Hughes who played 220 games for Swansea City between 1958 and 1966 before moving to North America to play for the Atlanta Chiefs in the North American Soccer League.

Following the tremendous success of the first World Under-16 tournament in China in 1985, the Canadians will have a lot to live up to next year, but plans are already in place to stage the tournament in the eastern part of the country.

Attendances will be much smaller in Canada than they were in China where a crowd of 75,000 watched the final between Nigeria and West Germany.

With this in mind the Canadian Soccer Association has wisely decided to play two of the groups in the smaller centres of St John's in Newfoundland and Saint John in New Brunswick.

In contrast the other two cities chosen are Toronto and Montreal where the Under-16 Tournament will undoubtedly find itself taking a back seat to baseball.

The games in Montreal will not be played at the Olympic Stadium, the most obvious setting for a tournament of this nature, because the site of the 1976 Olympic Games now suffers from the disadvantage of being covered with artificial turf. Instead the games in Montreal will be played at the much smaller Claude Robillard Stadium.

In Toronto, which will also be the site of the final, the games will be played at Varsity Stadium where the capacity is just 21,700. Here the playing area will have to be widened to take a full international-size pitch.

MALAYSIA SHOCK

reports from PETER BURNS

MALAYSIA sensationally defeated a Czechoslovakian selection to win their own Merdeka Cup outright for the first time since 1976.

The 1986 competition featured the strongest field for a couple of years with India, Thailand, Japan and Syria all being represented by their senior national selections. China fielded the 1985 national champions Liaoning Province, South Korea were represented by the army club Sangmu, Indonesia sent her national 'B' team, and Czechoslovakia paraded a strong league selection based on the Sigma Olomouc club.

Malaysia opened Group A with a 1-0 win over the South Koreans and followed with victories against India (3-0), Thailand (2-0) and Indonesia 'B' (3-0) to coast into the semi-finals without conceding a goal. A hat-trick by Krishanu Dey earned India victory in their last group match against Thailand, and a spot in the last four.

Although not as convincing as Malaysia in Group A, the Czechs won all three matches to qualify for the semi-finals as winners of Group B. The other semi-final berth went to Japan; narrow losers to Czechoslovakia but more convincing winners over Syria and China than the scorelines suggest.

Extra time was required to decide both semi-finals. India showed much defensive resolve before finally succumbing 0-1 to the Czechs and the hosts just managed to squeeze into the final past the enterprising Japanese.

The Czechs looked the better team in the early period of the final and had a good opportunity to go ahead in the 10th minute, but Zdenek Koukal shot straight into the hands of the Malaysian 'keeper. The same player wasted another chance when he shot wide in the 25th minute.

Then, on a Malaysian counter-attack, star striker Zainal Abidin was brought down inside the Czech penalty box by Oto Vyskocil. Wong Hung Nung converted the penalty to give the home team the lead. Oldrich, Kucernac, Koukal and Sedlacek wasted further chances for the Czechs but the Malaysians hit the target twice more to earn a memorable victory.

Both the Indians and Malaysians had been under pressure from their respective associations to do well in this competition or participation in the forthcoming Asian Games would not be a certainty!

GROUP A

Malaysia — Sangmu FC	1-0
India — Indonesia B	1-1
Malaysia — India	3-0
Thailand — Indonesia B	1-0
Malaysia — Thailand	2-0
India — Sangmu FC	4-3
Malaysia — Indonesia B	3-0
Thailand — Sangmu FC	1-0
India — Thailand	3-1
Sangmu FC — Indonesia B	4-0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Malaysia	4	4	0	0	9	0	8
India	4	2	1	1	8	8	5
Thailand	4	2	0	2	3	5	4
Sangmu FC	4	1	0	3	7	6	2
Indonesia B	4	0	1	3	1	9	1

GROUP B

Czechoslovakian XI — Japan	2-1
Syria — Liaoning	3-0
Japan — Syria	2-1
Czechoslovakian XI — Liaoning	3-2
Japan — Liaoning	4-2
Czechoslovakian XI — Syria	2-0

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Czechoslovak XI	3	3	0	0	7	3	6
Japan	3	2	0	1	7	5	4
Syria	3	1	0	2	4	4	2
Liaoning	3	0	0	3	4	10	0

SEMI-FINALS

Malaysia — Japan	2-1 aet
Czechoslovakian XI — India	1-0 aet

FINAL

Malaysia — Czechoslovakian XI	3-0

CHINA: The 1986 version of China's most important international tournament was won by Poland's Legia Warsaw club with a 2-0 victory over the Chinese national team in the final.

The six participants, the lowest number in recent years, were divided into two first round groups. The national teams of the Congo and the hosts, and the Japanese Mitsubishi club featured in the Beijing group, while local club Tianjin, Legia Warsaw and North Korea team Pyongyang contested the Tainjin group.

China opened impressively with a 4-1 defeat of Mitsubishi. Sekiguchi Hisao had given the Japanese club a 1-0 half-time advantage, but goals from Li Hui, Lu Hongxiang, Liu Haiguang and Ma Lin underlined the home side's superiority after the break. Mitsubishi bounced back to surprisingly beat the Congo with goals from Hisao and Yoshida Yasushi; Didier Bonazebi scored for the Congo.

Needing a victory to qualify for the semi-finals, the Congo played much better in their match against China, but could only manage a 1-1 draw. After a scoreless first half in which the visitors had three players cautioned, China opened the scoring through Liu Haiguang in the 50th minute and Congo responded a minute later when Guy Moukakounuo saw his 30-yard free kick bounce off the Chinese wall and into the net.

Meanwhile, in Tianjin, Legia Warsaw scored three goals against both Pyongyang and Tianjin to qualify for the semi-finals. Tianjin secured the other semi-final berth with a 3-0 win over the North Koreans.

The Poles coasted into the final with a 4-1 victory over Mitsubishi, but China needed penalties to squeak past Tianjin after the score had been 1-1 at the end of extra time.

The Chinese had the early play in the final and could have gone ahead with any one of three attempts that narrowly missed in the first ten minutes. But, the Poles safely saw out the first half and took the lead with an Iwenicki free kick two minutes after the restart. Sikorski added the second in the 70th minute and the Poles were content to close up shop for the remaining 20 minutes.

Goals by Liu Hong and Wang Kai earned Tianjin third place at the expense of Mitsubishi.

GROUP A (Peking)

China — Mitsubishi	4-1
Mitsubishi — Congo	2-1
China — Congo	1-1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
China	2	1	1	0	5	2	3
Mitsubishi	2	1	0	1	3	5	2
Congo	2	0	1	1	2	3	1

GROUP B (Tianjin)

Legia Warsaw — Pyongyang	3-0
Tianjin — Pyongyang	3-0
Legia Warsaw — Tianjin	3-1

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Legia Warsaw	2	2	0	0	6	1	4
Tianjin	2	1	0	1	4	3	2
Pyongyang	2	0	0	2	0	6	0

SEMI-FINALS

Legia Warsaw — Mitsubishi	4-1
China — Tianjin	1-1
(5-4 on penalties)	

THIRD PLACE MATCH

Tianjin — Mitsubishi	2-0

FINAL

Legia Warsaw — China	2-0

NEW ZEALAND: With a 0-1 loss to reigning champions Wellington Diamond United in the penultimate round, Rothmans League leaders Miramar Rangers squandered the chance to make sure of their first-ever league title.

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Miramar	21	12	6	3	45	27	42
Mount Wellington	21	11	8	2	39	20	41
Christchurch Utd	21	11	5	5	38	22	38
Well'gton Diam'd U	21	10	6	5	44	28	36
Gisborne City	21	10	5	6	40	34	35
Papatoetoe	21	6	8	7	34	32	26
North Shore United	21	6	6	9	36	50	24
Dunedin City	21	6	5	10	37	38	23
University	21	5	7	9	29	42	22
Palmerston United	21	5	5	11	28	43	20
Nelson United	21	5	5	11	27	46	20
Manurewa	21	5	3	13	26	41	18

Classified Results

EUROPEAN INTERNATIONAL REVIEW

SEPTEMBER 24

Stockholm — Euro chp gp 2
Sweden 2 (Ekström 19 and 79)
Switzerland 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 27,751. **Ref:** Christov (Cz)

Sweden: Möller — Fredriksson, Dahlkvist, P. Larsson, R. Nilsson — Eriksson, Prytz, Stromberg, Palmer (Engkvist 82) — B. Nilsson, Ekström.

Switzerland: Brunner — Wittwer, In-Albon, Egli, Ryf — Mottiez (Sulser 57), Geiger, Hermann, Bickel (Bregy 72) — Maissen, Halter.

Hooligans are not confined to Britain: Swiss keeper Martin Brunner, who did so much to keep the scoreline respectable in defeat, was struck by a golf ball thrown from the crowd after ten minutes of the second half. Referee Vojtech Christov did not apparently feel the need to interrupt the game in which Johnny Ekström, who had sunk England two weeks earlier to earn a £600,000 transfer to Italian club Empoli, provided Sweden with an ideal start in their European qualifying campaign. Sweden, who have never reached the European championship finals in six attempts, deserved their victory. Switzerland, who had not beaten the Swedes since 1920, relied on an offside trap and kept only Andy Halter permanently in attack. But, as Ekström said later: "Their offside tactics suited me perfectly." His pace was a constant threat — as he showed in collecting a pass from Robert Prytz and bursting past two defenders to score the first goal. Sweden could have increased their lead early in the second half. Bjorn Nilsson would surely have scored had he not slipped in the first minute after the break and then Brunner made two fine saves from Peter Larsson (51 mins) and Prytz (59). In desperation Switzerland brought on Claudio Sulser, the star forward who had been recalled from national retirement because of an injury crisis. But even Sulser could make no difference and Sweden sealed their success in the 79th minute when Ekström converted a Glenn Stromberg pass to score from close range.

Reykjavik — Euro chp gp 3
Iceland 1 (Gudjohnsen 29)
Soviet Union 1 (Sulakvelidze 44)
HT: 1-1. **Att:** 7,000. **Ref:** Aschenmacher (WG)

Iceland: Sigurdsson — Gislasson, Saevar Jonsson, M. Jonsson, Edvaldsson, Torfasson, Margeirsson, Siggi Jonsson, Sigurvinsson, Gudjohnsen, Petursson.

Sov Union: Dassayev — Sulakvelidze, Larionov (Litovchenko 80), Kuznetsov, Demianenko, Bessonov, Rats, Aleinikov, Khidiatulin (Rodionov 46), Zavarov, Blokhin.

Iceland rarely enjoy the privilege of topping their group in World Cup or European qualifying matches. Yet well-earned home draws against, first, European champions France and now the Soviet Union took them temporarily to that exalted position to underline that Iceland are nobodies' pushovers. The Soviets began strongly and veteran winger Oleg Blokhin hit the bar after just four minutes. But it was Iceland who scored first when an Asgeir Sigurvinsson free kick was helped on by Atli Edvaldsson and then Petur Petursson so that Anderlecht's Arnor Gudjohnsen could put the ball in the net. The Soviets did not equalise until moments before half-time when Iceland keeper Bjarni Sigursson was caught out of position by a deflected drive from rightback Tengiz Sulakvelidze. Iceland could have regained the lead early in the second half. But the fine form of Renat Dassayev kept them at bay as he saved well from Sigurvinsson in the 66th minute and then a free kick from the midfielder 12 minutes later. In the 79th minute Olaf Torfasson was just wide with a 25-yard drive. But the Soviets pushed back on to the attack in the final minutes and were disappointed by the draw. Manager Valeri Lobanovski stormed into the referee's dressing room afterwards and tried to read him some paragraphs from the Laws of the Game.

Oslo — Euro chp gp 3
Norway 0
East Germany 0
Att: 10,142. **Ref:** Mulder (Hol)

Norway: Thorstvedt — Mordt, Giske (Aas 74), Kojedal, Fjaelberg — Osvold, Sundby, Haaberg (Seland 70) — Larsen Oekland, Herlovsen, Berg.

E. Germany: Müller — Kreer, Rohde, Sänger, Zötzsche — Stübner, Ernst, Liebers, Thom — Kirsten, Pastor.

On this form neither side should prove a major qualifying threat to title-holders France or to the Soviet Union. Indeed, it took a fine display by East German Footballer of the Year Rene Müller, in goal, to keep the scoresheet blank. Norway fancied their chances of success against an East German side which had gone six matches without a victory. But mistakes in front of goal by both Arne Larsen Oekland and Kai-Erik Herlovsen cost Norway victory. In the second half Norway's Jan Berg struck the crossbar while their own keeper, Erik Thorstvedt, was tested only twice.

Copenhagen — friendly
Denmark 0
West Germany 2 (Thon 24, K. Allofs 44)
HT: 0-2. **Att:** 44,000. **Ref:** Fredriksson (Swe)

Denmark: Qvist — Sivebaek, K. Nielsen, M. Olsen, Andersen (John Jensen 80) — Berggren, Bertelsen (P. Larsen 31), Simonsen (Eriksen 21), J. Olsen — Elkjaer, Laudrup.

W. Germany: Schumacher — Berthold, Buchwald, Hörster, Kohler, Frontzeck — Rolff, Matthäus, Thon (Rahn 70) — Völler, K. Allofs (Waas 83).

Allan Simonsen made a token last appearance in international football as West Germany took revenge for their 2-0 defeat by the Danes in the World Cup finals in Mexico. German team chief Franz Beckenbauer included only five of the men who finished as World Cup runners-up to Argentina and gave debuts to Bayer Leverkusen's 29-year-old Thomas Hörster at sweeper and Jürgen Kohler from Waldhof Mannheim at rightback. But it was the experience in attack which paid off. A Rüdi Völler cross gave little Olaf Thon the chance to head the first goal and then it was Thon who headed a Völler cross square for Klaus Allofs to score just before the interval. The Germans had half-a-dozen further chances in the second half while the Danes had barely two. There was an unpleasant prelude to the game when Danish police arrested 51 German fans after trouble in the centre of Copenhagen.

Gijon — intl friendly
Spain 3 (Julio Salinas 35, Francisco 39, Victor 79)
Greece 1 (Skartados 81)
HT: 2-0. **Att:** 5,500. **Ref:** Delmer (F)

Spain: Zubizarreta (Ablanedo 75) — Tomas (Chendo 46), Goicoechea, Gallego, Camacho (Señor 46) — Michel, Francisco, Victor, Julio Alberto (Eusebio 57) — Julio Salinas, Butragueño (Eloy 46).

Greece: Plitsis — Alavantas (Vasiliou 75), Mavridis (Tsionanis 77), Michos, Mitropulos (Antoniou 46), Skartados, Kofidis, Anastopulos, Saravakos, Xanthopulos, Kolomitrousis.

Spain were always in control though the Greeks, whenever they lost possession, covered in numbers. Spain "won" by seven corners to two and went ahead in the 35th minute when Julio Salinas opened the score on a pass from Francisco after a free kick. It was Francisco who then scored goal no. 2 with a shot deflected in after a throw-in while no. 3 had to wait until 11 minutes from the end. Then Andoni Goicoechea hoisted a free kick forward, Greek keeper Giorgios Plitsis couldn't hang on to the ball and midfielder Victor was lurking to shoot home. Skartados's goal came in the 81st minute and was perhaps the most spectacular — a well-timed 30-yard drive to a cross from substitute Vasiliou.

OCTOBER 7

Bydgoszcz — intl friendly
Poland 2 (Tarasiewicz 30, Karas 89)
North Korea 2 (Kim Pung-il 59, Pak Wan-choi 68)
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 17,000. **Ref:** Strengl (Rum)

Poland: Bolesta (Kazimierski 46) — Swiatek (Kubicki 46), Krol (A. Sikorski 46), Przybys (Pawlak 46), Wdowczyk (Ostrowski 46) — Mastysik (Karas 46), Sokolowski (Prusik 46), Tarasiewicz (Urban 46), Wraga (Furtok 46) — Baran (Kruszankin 77), Lesniak.

N. Korea: Kim Chung — Kim Gueng-min, Tak Yong-bin, Oh Yong-nem, Yu Song-choi — Pak Wan-choi, Kim Song-jun, Yun Jong-su, Kim Chong-bok — Kim Pung-il, Han Hyong-il.

Poland's first international since the 3-0 World Cup KO by England saw new boss Wojciech Lazarek field 21 players yet rescued from defeat only thanks to a last-minute goal from Karas. For the record the only Pole to last the full 90 minutes was striker Marek Lesniak. There were no exiles available for the match and, indeed, Lazarek had warned on taking over the job that the only ones who would be considered were those who could make themselves available for squad training for the week leading up to any international — effectively ruling out the likes of Boniek, Buncol, Wojcicki, etc.

OCTOBER 8

Bologna — friendly intl
Italy 2 (Bergomi 8 and 68)
Greece 0
HT: 1-0. **Att:** 45,000. **Ref:** Peduzzi (Swz).

Italy: Zenga — Bergomi, Nela, F. Baresi, Bonetti, Bagni (Ancelotti 57), Donadoni, De Napoli, Altobelli (Mancini 73), Dossena, Vialli.

Greece: Papadopulos (Minou 46) — Xanthopulos, Kolomitrousis (Apostolakis 46), Manolas, Michos, Mavridis, Saravakos, Skartados (Alavantas 73), Anastopulos (Batsinilas 62), Antoniou, Kofidis.

Azeglio Vicini's first match in charge of Italy in succession to Enzo Bearzot turned into a minor triumph as the Italians warmed up for their forthcoming European championship tussles with Sweden, Switzerland, Portugal and Malta. Vicini brought in three new players — goalkeeper Walter Zenga from Inter, the Milan centre back Dario Bonetti and the same club's midfield starlet Roberto Donadoni. Greece came out to play much more positively than the Italians had expected and Zenga's saves made him, along with Donadoni, the pick of the Italian team. Yet it took Italy only eight minutes to go ahead: Manolas headed out a Donadoni corner, but only to the edge of the penalty area where Giuseppe Bergomi slammed it back into the net. It was then an hour before Bergomi got another. In the meantime Donadoni had once come close himself and Altobelli had an acrobatic shot cleared off the line by Manolas. But then a fine move involving De Napoli, Nela and Donadini opened the way for Bergomi to score no. 2. One man in no doubt about the prospects for this new Italy was Bearzot. "This," he said, "is the football of tomorrow."

Tel-Aviv — friendly intl
Israel 2
Rumania 4 (Piturca 2, Bölöni, Camataru)
HT: 1-1. **Att:** 5,000.

OCTOBER 11

Paris — Euro chp gp 3
France 0
Sov Union 2 (Belanov 67, Rats 73)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 40,496. **Ref:** Casarin (It)

France: Bats — Ayache, Boli (Vercruysse 87), Jeannol, Amoros — Tigana, Ferreri, Fernandez, Platini — Stopyra, Papin (Bellone 70).

Sov Union: Dassayev — Bessonov (Khidiatulin 33) — Kuznetsov, Chivadze, Demianenko — Rats, Zavarov, Rodionov (Blokhin 82), Yakovenko, Aleinikov — Belanov.

Michel Platini's Frenchmen may have finished third in the World Cup, but their grip on the European championship title is now looking distinctly shaky. Having been held to a goalless draw in Iceland the French failed to score for the second successive tie and paid a heavy price with their first competitive defeat at home in the new Parc des Princes since it was opened 14 years and 20 matches in competition ago. France badly missed the experience of injured Patrick Battiston at the back where the young Boli played well until the fatal lapse of concentration which allowed Belanov in for the first goal after a fine move between Zavarov and Rodionov. Six minutes later Vasily Rats secured victory after a move again started by Zavarov and carried on by Demianenko. The best French player was left-back Manuel Amoros while Platini looked hungry for the ball at first but faded into midfield after the first 15 minutes.

OCTOBER 12

Lisbon — Euro chp gp 2
Portugal 1 (Coelho 66)
Sweden 1 (Stromberg 50)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 15,000. **Ref:** Hackett (Eng)

Portugal: Ze Beto — Veloso, Eduardo Luis, Dito, Alberto — Fernando Mendes, Jaime, Nunes, Sheu (Coelho 62) — Adao (Mario Jorge 72), Manuel Fernandes.

Sweden: Möller — R. Nilsson, Hysen, P. Larsson, Fredriksson — Eriksson (Engkvist 84), Stromberg, Prytz, Palmer (Magnusson 75) — Ekström, B. Nilsson.

Portugal put out a new-look team, having been deprived of all their World Cup players thanks to the sine die ban on the eight pay revolt ringleaders and the angry withdrawal in sympathy from the national team by their 14 colleagues in Mexico. Yet under new boss Rui Seara, the Portuguese dominated the first half and were unlucky to go behind in the 50th minute to a goal from one-time Benfica star Glenn Stromberg. Portugal brought on Boavista forward Jorge da Silva Coelho for his first cap in the 62nd minute and were rewarded only four minutes later when he equalised.

OTHER MATCHES

Sep 8 (Lappeenranta): Finland Olym 1 (Bostrom 31), E Germany Olym 0 — (Bautzen): E Germany U21 1 (Wuckel 78), Denmark U21 0.

Sep 23 (Hartberg, Aus): Hartberg 2 (Wagenhoffer 20, Wagner II 58), Hungary 2 (Kardos 28, Fitos 43) — (Copenhagen): Denmark U21 0, W Germany U21 0.

Sep 24 (Rabat): Morocco U21 0, Spain U21 0 — (Prague): Czechoslovakia Olym 2, Karl-Marx-Stadt (EG) 1.

Oct 1 (Elblag): Poland Olym 1 (Rzepka 63), North Korea 0.

EUROPEAN UNDER-21 CHAMPIONSHIP

Group 1 (Spain, Rumania, Austria, Albania) — **Sep 9** (Ploiesti): Rumania 1 (Mihali 34), Austria 0. **Oct 14** (Vienna): Austria 1 (Kostenberger 85), Albania 0.

Group 2 (Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland, Italy). **Sep 23** (Norrkoping): Sweden 0, Switzerland 0.

Group 3 (France, Sov Union, E Germany, Norway). **Oct 10** (Le Havre): France 2 (Cantona 18, 87), Sov Union 1 (Tatarchuk 52).

Group 4 (England, Yugoslavia, Turkey).

Group 5 (Hungary, Poland, Greece, Cyprus).

Group 6 (Denmark, Czechoslovakia, Finland, Iceland) — **Sep 3** (Kemi): Finland 2 (Vuorela 61, Alatensio 89 pen), Iceland 0. **Oct 14** (Olomouc): Czechoslovakia 2 (Miejnek 38, Nemec 58), Finland 0.

Group 7 (Belgium, Rep Ireland, Scotland) — **Sep 9:** Belgium 0, Rep Ireland 0.

Group 8 (West Germany, Bulgaria, Luxembourg, Holland).

SOUTH AMERICAN CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP (Libertadores Cup)

Semi-final group A
September 4
ARGENTINOS JUNIORS (Argentina) 0 RIVER PLATE (Argentina) 0

Argentinos Juniors: Vidalle, Villalba, Pavoni, Olguin, Domenech, Videla (Martinez), Batista, Commisso (Lemme), Corsi, Castro, Ereros. **River Plate:** Pumpido, Gordillo, Borelli, Ruggeri, Montenegro, Enrique, Gallego (Saralegui), Alonso, Alfaro (Gorosito), Alzamendi, Centurion. (Referee: Lamolina, Argentina; Att: 25,000.)

September 11
BARCELONA (Ecuador) (0) 1 (Vasconcellos)
ARGENTINOS JUNIORS (Argentina) 0
(Referee: Jesus Dias, Colombia; Att: 55,000.)

Semi-final group B
September 11
OLIMPIA (Paraguay) (0) 3 (Pangrazio, Delgado, Bobadilla) BOLIVAR (Bolivia) (1) 1 (Salinas)

Olimpia: Almeida, Mino, Benitez, Delgado, Krausemann, Chilavert, Guasch, Talavera, Isasi (Guirland), Pangrazio, Bobadilla (Diarte). **Bolivar:** Acasuzo, Arias, Galvan, Ferrufino, Cespedes, Perez, Borja, Soria, Paniagua (J. Perez), Salinas, Abdeneve. (Referee: Hernan Silva, Chile; Att: 30,000.)

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Dutch spearhead Wim Kieft extended Torino's lead — they had already won 4-0 in France — with a penalty after Desailly handled an Antonio Comi shot in a goalmouth scramble. Nantes pulled level through Anziani on an assist from Argentine World Cup hero Jorge Burruchaga. Torino could have pulled away again but for fine saves by Bertrand-Demanes from Junior and Comi.

Toulouse 1 (Stopyra 15)
Napoli 0
HT: 1-0. 90 mins: 1-0. **Att:** 40,000. **Att:** Fredriksson (Swe)
Toulouse 4-3 on pens: 1-1 agg aet.

Toulouse: Bergeroo — Lestage (Marx 119), Tihy, Ruty, Tarantini, Despeyroux, Durand, Marcico, Stopyra, Passi (Espanol 75), Bellus.

Napoli: Garella — Bruscolotti, Ferrara, Bagni, Ferrario, Renica, Muro (Giordano 65), De Napoli, Carnevale, Maradona, Volpecina.

Penalty shoot-out: Stopyra (T) over bar 0-0, Giordano (N) 0-1; Marcico (T) 1-1; Ferrario (N) 1-2; Durand (T) 2-2; Renica (N) 2-3; Marx (T) 3-3, Bagni (N) saved, 3-3; Tarantini (T) 4-3, Maradona (N) hit post 4-3.

A nightmare for Diego Maradona — apart from the fact that he missed the deciding penalty. In the game Argentina's World Cup inspiration saw the ball barely half a dozen times in the first half while the only goal, at the other end, was converted by French World Cup spearhead Yannick Stopyra after a mistake by the Napoli keeper. Toulouse dominated the first half and though Napoli improved a little in the second half, they rarely came anywhere near threatening the Toulouse goal. The French had several clear chances but wasted them and the match went into extra time and then to the penalty shoot-out. It looked bad for Toulouse when Stopyra hit their first kick over the bar. But Italian World Cup midfielder Salvatore Bagni saw Napoli's fourth saved to even the 'score' . . ./. . . Alberto Tarantini, Argentine 1978 World Cup-winner, scored the fourth Toulouse penalty-goal and it remained for Maradona to keep Napoli's hopes alive. His kick, however, struck the foot of a post. Napoli were out.

Trakia 8 (Simov 5, Pekhlivanov 10, 14, Pashev 30, Kurdov 48, Georgiev 54, Bakalov 57, Mladenov 80)
Hiberians Malta 6
HT: 4-0. **Att:** 25,000. **Ref:** Kuka (Aus)
Trakia 10-0 on agg

Trakia: Karatanchev — Kochev, Mladenov, Blangev, Ivanov, Bakalov, Kostadinov (Kurdov 46), Simov (Stoichov 46), Pekhlivanov, Georgiev, Peshev.

Valerengen 0
Beveren 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 2,840. **Ref:** Ruckonen (Fin) Played Sep 30.
Beveren 1-0 on agg

Valerengen: Mediaas — Aalbu, Bergsvand, L. Eriksen, Davidsen (Kruge 75), Nilsen, Loberg, Arnevag, Johansen, Husby, Fredheim.

Beveren: De Wilde — Lodders, Gorez (Buyens 34), Lambrichts, Maes, D. Pfaff, Schmedding, Theunis, Kusto, Fairclough, Lemoine (Peeraer 79).

Vitoria Guimaraes 2 (Cascavel 75, 87)
Sparta Praha 1 (Petar Novak 53)
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 35,000. **Ref:** Lartigot (Fr)
Guimaraes 3-2 on agg

Guimaraes: Jesus — Costeado, Miguel, Nene, Carvalho (Nkama 57) — Nascimento, Ndinga, Ademir (Rui Vieira 85), Adao, Roldao — Paulinho Casavel.

Sparta: Stejskal — Bielik, Straka, Drahokoupil, Bilek — Chovanec, Calta, Hasek, Cabala — P. Novak, Skuhravy.

Werder Bremen 2 (Neubarth 65, Meier 83)
Atletico Madrid 1 (Julio Salinas 113)
HT: 0-0. 90 mins; 2-0. **Att:** 33,400. **Ref:** Delmer (Fr)
Atletico Madrid 3-2 on agg aet

Werder: Burdenski — Kutzop (Ordenowitz 60), Votava, Sauer, Schaaf, Wolter, Mohlmann (Hermann 64), Meier, Otten, Burgsmüller, Neubarth.

Atletico: Eldauyen — Tomas, Arteche, Ruiz, Sergio, Clemente — Jilio Prieto, Landaburu (Llorente 95), Quique Ramos — Julio Salinas, Da Silva (Quique Setien 73).

Widzew Lodz 1 (Wraga 55)
Linzer ASK 0
HT: 0-0. **Att:** 13,500. **Ref:** Duncan (Scot)
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Widzew: Bolesta — Kaminski, Walczak, Przybys — Swiatek, Dziuba, Iwanicki (Cisek 81), Putek, Podsiadlo — Kajrys (Gierek 55), Wraga.

LASK: Linderberger — Gruenes, Dantlinger, Lehenmayer, Paseka — Gajda (Gröss 46), Meister, Piesinger, Rabitsch — Westerthaler, Köstenberger.

CHILE: First Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Cobreloa	12	6	4	2	15	8	16
Cobresal	12	4	7	1	15	6	15
Deportes Concepcion	12	5	5	2	16	12	15
Naval	12	3	8	1	13	7	14
Universidad Catolica	12	6	2	4	14	10	14
Huachipato	12	5	4	3	13	12	14
Palestino	12	3	7	2	11	11	13
Colo Colo	12	5	3	4	10	11	13
Fernandez Vial	12	2	8	2	13	13	12
Union Espanola	12	3	5	4	16	14	11
Deportes San Felipe	12	1	9	2	12	12	11
Rangers	12	2	7	3	12	13	11
Audax Italiano	12	4	3	5	10	16	11
Universidad de Chile	12	4	2	6	14	16	10
Deportes Iquique	12	2	6	4	14	19	10
San Luis	12	2	5	5	10	16	9
Everton	12	1	6	5	8	12	9
Magallanes	12	2	4	6	13	19	8

ECUADOR: First Division
(second round final standings)
Group 1 — 1) Filanbanco 18 pts; 2) Deportivo Quito 17; 3) Barcelona 16; 4) Deportivo Cuenca 15; 5) Esmeraldas Petrolero 13; 6) Deportivo Quevedo 11; 7) Nueve de Octubre 10, Universidad Catolica 10.
Group 2 — 1) Tecnico Universitario 19; 2) Nacional 17; 3) Audaz Octubrino 16; 4) Emelec 14; 5) America, Liga Deportiva Universitaria 13; 7) Macara 12; 8) Universidad Portoviejo 8.
(Top 12 points winners — adding both rounds — qualify for final round in two groups, rest play in relegation round.)

BOLIVIA: Professional League (final group standings)

Section A	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Blooming	16	11	4	1	34	9	26
The Strongest	16	6	9	1	20	15	21
Destroyers	16	7	6	3	23	13	20
Ciclon	16	4	6	4	16	14	14
San Jose	16	5	4	7	12	19	14
Universitario	16	4	4	8	16	25	12
Aurora	16	1	6	9	12	28	8
Chaco	16	2	4	10	16	34	8
Section B							
Oriente	14	9	3	2	33	14	21

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	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Litoral	14	8	3	3	27	16	19
Real Santa Cruz	14	7	3	4	26	19	17
Wilsterman	14	6	4	4	23	22	16
Bolivar	14	5	5	4	29	24	15
Bamin	14	1	5	8	10	26	7
Petrolero	14	1	4	9	12	31	6

*Top two of each group qualify for semi-finals.

PERU: Regional (Metropolitan) Championship

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sporting Cristal	15	7	8	0	25	11	22
Octavio Espinoza	15	8	5	2	15	9	21
Alianza Lima	15	9	2	4	26	11	20
Deportivo Municipal	15	9	2	4	25	15	20
San Agustin	15	9	2	4	22	14	20
Universitario	15	6	4	5	17	16	16
Sport Boys	15	4	5	6	15	18	13
Guardia Republicana	15	4	4	7	13	17	12
Union Huaral	15	3	6	6	13	17	12
Juventud La Palma	15	4	4	7	18	24	12
La Joya	15	1	5	9	10	22	7
Colegio Nac Iquitos	15	0	5	10	8	29	5

PARAGUAY: First Division (3rd stage)
After 4 games: 1) Sol de America, Atletico Colegiales 6 pts; 3) Olimpia 5; 4) San Lorenzo, Sport Colombia, Libertad, Cerro Porteno 4; 8) Guarani, Sportivo Luqueno 3; 10) Nacional 1.

MEXICO: First Division

Group 1	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Univers Aut. Guadalajara	6	3	2	1	9	4	8
Necaxa	6	2	3	1	7	6	7
Monterrey	5	2	2	1	5	4	6
Toluca	6	0	5	1	3	4	5
Atlante	6	0	3	3	3	6	3
Group 2							
Universidad Nuevo Leon	5	2	3	0	7	4	7
Tampico-Madero	5	3	0	2	11	8	6
Leon	6	2	1	3	7	9	5
Guadalajara	5	1	2	2	5	7	4
Neza	6	1	2	3	3	7	4
Group 3							
Universidad Aut. Mexico	6	3	2	1	6	4	8
Universidad Guadalajara	6	2	2	2	11	9	6
Puebla	6	2	2	2	9	5	6
Atlas	6	2	2	2	6	6	6
Morelia	5	1	2	2	6	7	4
Group 4							
Cruz Azul	5	4	1	0	8	3	9
America	6	3	2	1	7	5	8
Atletico Potosino	6	1	4	1	3	5	6
Irapuato	6	0	4	2	4	7	4
Angeles	6	0	4	2	6	11	4
Cobras	6	1	2	3	7	12	4

COSTA RICA: National Championship

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Puntarenas	9	6	2	1	15	5	14
Herediano	9	4	5	0	13	5	13
Guanacaste	9	4	5	0	9	3	13
Cartagines	9	3	4	2	14	10	10
San Ramon	9	3	3	3	6	5	9
Alajuelense	9	4	1	4	6	7	9
San Carlos	9	2	4	3	5	9	8
Saprissa	9	1	5	3	7	7	7
Limon	9	2	1	6	2	12	5
Sagrada Familia	9	0	2	7	0	13	2

HONDURAS: First Division
Group A: 1) Vida (played 23) 29 points, Olimpia (23) 29; 3) Marathon (22) 26; 4) EACI (22) 21; 5) Sula (22) 15. Group B: 1) Real Espana (23) 26; 2) Montagua (21) 23; 3) Platense (22) 21; 4) Victoria (23) 19; 5) Tela-Timsa (23) 15.

*Top two of each group qualify for final round.

EL SALVADOR: First Division

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Aguila	20	13	3	4	34	9	29
Luis Angel Firpo	21	10	7	4	23	15	27
Alianza	20	9	7	4	25	19	25
Once Lobos	21	7	10	4	24	17	24
Atletico Marte	21	8	6	7	22	21	22
FAS	20	8	5	7	24	15	21
Chalatenango	21	5	10	6	18	22	20
Metapan	20	6	6	8	20	21	18
Acajutla	21	5	7	9	16	24	17
Universidad Nacional	21	4	8	9	20	29	16
Soyapango	21	4	8	9	23	36	16
Jose Maria Gondra	21	2	9	10	16	37	13

*Top four play final round after three rounds (33 games).

GUATEMALA: First Division
After 6 games — 1) Galcasa 10 points; 2) Aurora, Comunicaciones 9; 4) Juventud Retalteca, Xelaju 8; 6) Coban, Municipal, Izabal 6; 9) Suchitepequez 5; 10) Jalapa 3; 11) Tipografia Nacional 2; 12) Amatitlan 0.

FINLAND

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Kuusysi	22	13	6	3	40	20	32
TPS	22	12	6	4	35	15	30
HJK	22	10	10	2	42	23	30
Rops	22	12	6	4	32	14	30
Haka	22	8	6	8	32	27	22
Ilves	22	9	4	9	39	36	22
MP	22	6	6	10	27	37	18
PPT	22	5	8	9	27	40	18
Koparit	22	4	10	8	18	32	18
Kups	22	7	4	1	23	38	18
Keps	22	4	7	11	23	31	15
OTP	22	4	3	15	16	41	11

SWEDEN — FINAL

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Malmö	22	16	5	1	49	11	37
IFK Göteborg	22	13	5	4	44	17	31
AIK	22	9	7	6	29	21	25
Norrkoping	22	9	3	10	30	30	21
Halmstad	22	8	5	9	26	32	21
Hammarby	22	8	4	10	31	38	20
Oster	22	6	8	8	20	28	20
Brage	22	8	4	10	19	27	20
Orgryte	22	7	5	10	33	35	19
Elfsborg	22	5	8	9	19	26	18
Kalmar	22	5	7	10	22	36	17
Djurgarden	22	7	1	14	23	43	15

*Malmo, IFK, AIK, Norrkoping enter championship play-offs.

FRANCE

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bordeaux	12	8	3	1	17	5	19
Marseille	12	6	5	1	17	8	17
Paris SG	12	6	3	3	11	8	15
Toulouse	12	5	4	3	18	8	14
Nantes	12	8	2	4	14	11	14
Lille	12	4	5	3	16	12	13
Auxerre	12	3	7	2	12	10	13
Metz	12	3	6	3	14	8	12
Le Havre	12	4	4	4	14	13	12
Monaco	12	4	4	4	13	12	12
Lens	12	4	4	4	14	15	12
Sochaux	12	4	4	4	14	15	12
Nice	12	4	4	4	8	11	12
Brest	12	3	5	4	11	14	11
Laval	12	1	8	3	5	11	10
Saint Etienne	12	1	7	4	6	12	9
Racing Club	12	3	3	6	10	17	9
Rennes	12	3	3	6	8	15	9
Nancy	12	2	4	6	9	16	8
Toulon	12	1	5	6	10	19	7

AUSTRIA

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
FK Austria	15	11	2	2	46	20	24
Rapid	15	9	5	1	48	19	23
FC Tirol	15	9	1	5	34	21	19
LASK	15	8	2	5	23	23	18
Ad Wacker	15	6	3	6	28	24	15
Sturm Graz	15	6	3	6	18	22	15
Vienna	15	6	2	7	17	26	14
Eisenstadt	15	5	4	6	21	30	14
Wiener SK	15	5	1	7	30	31	12
VOEST Linz	15	5	2	8	24	28	12
GAK	15	5	1	9	20	31	11
Klagenfurt	15	0	3	12	11	44	3

BELGIUM

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Brugge	7	5	2	0	19	6	12
Anderlecht	7	5	1	1	20	4	11
Standard	7	4	2	1	13	3	10
Mechelen	7	4	2	1	11	4	10
Beveren	7	3	4	0	12	4	10
Lokeren	7	2	4	1	7	7	8
Beerschot	7	2	4	1	6	8	8
Waregen	7	3	1	3	8	15	7
Liege	7	2	3	2	9	9	7
Seraing	7	2	3	2	8	9	7
Kortrijk	7	2	2	3	12	9	6
Molenbeek	7	2	2	3	9	11	6
Charleroi	7	2	2	3	8	13	6
Racing J	7	2	2	3	8	13	6
Gent	7	2	1	4	5	14	5
Antwerp	7	0	3	4	3	9	3
Cercle	7	1	0	6	8	12	2
Berchem	7	0	2	5	3	19	2

ENGLAND

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Norwich	10	6	3	1	18	11	21
Nottingham F	10	6	2	2	25	11	20
Tottenham	10	5	3	2	11	7	18
West Ham	10	5	3	2	21	18	18
Liverpool	10	5	2	3	19	12	17
Sheff Wed	10	4	4	2	20	15	16
Everton	10	4	3	3	15	12	15
Arsenal	10	4	3	3	9	6	15
Leicester	10	4	3	3	14	12	15
Coventry	10	4	3	3	9	7	15
Luton	10	3	5	2	8	7	14
QPR	10	4	2	4	11	13	14
Southampton	10	4	1	5	22	22	13
Wimbledon	10	4	1	5	12	15	13
Oxford	10	3	4	3	10	16	13
Watford	10	3	2	5	13	13	11
Charlton	10	3	1	6	13	24	10
Aston Villa	10	3	1	6	13	24	10
Chelsea	10	2	3	5	11	19	9
Man Utd	10	2	2	6	13	14	8
Newcastle	10	2	2	6	8	18	8
Man City	10	1	4	5	7	11	7

ITALY

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Juventus	5	3	2	0	7	1	8
Napoli	5	3	2	0	7	3	8
Como	5	2	3	0	4	2	7
Inter	5	2	2	1	8	2	6
Avellino	5	2	2	1	4	5	6
Roma	5	2	2	1	4	5	6
Ascoli	5	2	1	2	3	2	5
Verona	5	1	3	1	5	5	5
Torino	5	2	1	2	5	7	5
Fiorentina	5	1	2	2	4	4	4
Empoli	5	2	0	3	2	3	4
Milan	5	1	2	2	2	3	4
Atalanta	5	1	1	3	2	4	3
Sampdoria	5	1	1	3	3	6	3
Brescia	5	0	1	4	1	8	1
Udinese	5	1	3	1	4	5	4

SPAIN

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Barcelona	9	5	4	0	14	5	14
AC Madrid	9	5	3	1	14	8	13
Real Madrid	9	4	4	1	17	9	12
Mallorca	9	4	3	2	15	12	11
Espanol	9	3	4	2	12	9	10
Gijon	9	4	2	3	13	10	10
Valladolid	9	4	2	3	11	11	10
Cadiz	9	4	2	3	8	8	10
Betis	9	4	2	3	11	13	10
Real Sociedad	9	3	3	3	15	13	9
Bilbao	9	3	3	3	8	9	9
Sevilla	9	2	4	3	9	9	8
Zaragoza	9	3	2	4	8	9	8
Osasuna	9	1	6	2	4	5	8
Las Palmas	9	2	3	4	12	13	7
Santander	9	2	2	5	7	13	6
Sabadell	9	0	4	5	8	18	4
Murcia	9	1	1	7	6	18	3

SWITZERLAND

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Xamax	11	8	2	1	23	5	18
Grasshoppers	11	8	2	1	24	10	18
Sion	11	7	1	3	25	13	15
Bellinzona	11	6	2	3	20	16	14
Zürich	11	4	4	3	18	16	12
St. Gallen	11	4	4	3	15	14	12
Lausanne	11	5	2	4	20	20	12
Servette	11	5	1	5	21	19	11
Luzern	11	4	2	5	20	18	10
Young Boys	11	3	4	4	16	15	10
Basel	11	3	4	4	15	17	10
Aarau	11	3	3	5	9	16	9
Vevey	11	3	3	5	14	24	9
Wettingen	11	2	4	5	14	17	8
Locarno	11	2	3	6	18	20	7
Chaux-de-Fonds	11	0	1	10	8	40	1

WEST GERMANY

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Bayern	10	6	4	0	21	9	16
Hamburg	10	6	2	2	19	9	14
Leverkusen	10	6	1	3	23	10	13
Bremen	10	5	3	2	20	17	13
Stuttgart	10	4	4	2	19	10	12
K'lautern	10	4	4	2	17	11	12
Verdingen	10	4	3	3	15	13	11
Bochum	10	3	5	2	15	14	11
Schalke	10	5	1	4	20	21	11
Dortmund	10	4	2	4	23	13	10
Frankfurt	10	2	6	2	13	11	10
Mannheim	10	3	3	4	16	19	9
Borussia Mg	10	2	4	4	15	16	8
Köln	10	3	2	5	12	17	8
Nurnberg	10	1	4	5	12	19	6
Homburg	10	2	2	6	8	23	6
Düsseldorf	10	2	1	7	11	29	5
BW Berlin	10	1	3	6	10	28	5

1988 OLYMPIC GAMES
(Qualifying tournament)
EUROPE
Preliminary round
Group 1

10. 9.86 Liechtenstein — Switzerland 0-10
23. 9.86 Switzerland — Liechtenstein

Group 2

12.11.86 Cyprus — Greece
10.12.86 Greece — Cyprus

Final round

Group A

18. 4.87 Rumania v W. Germany
20. 5.87 Rumania v Poland
10. 6.87 Denmark v Rumania
3. 9.87 Rumania v Denmark
13.10.87 W. Germany v Poland
28.10.87 Poland v Denmark
18.11.87 Denmark v W Germany
22. 3.88 W Germany v Denmark
30. 3.88 Poland v Rumania
27. 4.88 Poland v W Germany
18. 5.88 Denmark v Poland
31. 5.88 Germany v Romania

*Cyprus-Greece fixtures still to be arranged

Group B

3.12.86 Holland v Germany
18. 2.87 Italy v Portugal
25. 2.87 Portugal v Holland
25. 3.87 E Germany v Italy
15. 4.87 Italy v Iceland
28. 4.87 Portugal v E. Germany
26. 5.87 Iceland v Holland
2. 9.87 Iceland v E Germany
22. 9.87 E Germany v Holland
7.10.87 Portugal v Iceland
18.11.87 Italy v E Germany
24. 2.88 Portugal v Italy
9. 3.88 Holland v Italy
30. 3.88 Holland v Portugal
12. 4.88 E Germany v Portugal
13. 4.88 Italy v Holland
27. 4.88 Holland v Iceland
30. 4.88 E Germany v Iceland
24. 5.88 Iceland v Portugal
29. 5.88 Iceland v Italy

Group C

19.11.86 Spain v Sweden
19.11.86 Ireland Rep v Hungary
3/4. 4.87 Ireland Rep v Spain
29. 4.87 France v Hungary
5. 5.87 Sweden v Ireland Rep
13. 5.87 Hungary v Spain
3. 6.87 Hungary v Sweden
16. 6.87 Sweden v France
12. 8.87 France v ireland Rep
25. 8.87 Ireland Rep v Sweden
9. 9.87 Sweden v Hungary
22/23.9.87 Sweden v Spain
14.10.87 Spain v France
18.11.87 Ireland Rep v France
18.11.87 Spain v Hungary
23. 3.88 France v Spain
23. 4.88 Hungary v France
4. 5.88 Hungary v Ireland Rep
18. 5.88 Spain v Ireland Rep
26. 5.88 France v Sweden

Group D

14.10.86 Norway v Sov Union
8.11.86 Winner Group 1 v Norway
3.12.86 Turkey v Winner Group 1
15. 4.87 Turkey v Sov Union
16. 4.87 Winner Group 1 v Bulgaia
6. 5.87 Norway v Turkey
7. 5.87 Bulgaria v Sov Union
26. 5.87 Norway v Bulgaria
12. 8.87 Sov Union v Norway
26. 8.87 Norway v Winner Group 1
7.10.87 Winner Group 1 v Turkey
28.10.87 Winner Group 1 v Sov Union
14.11.87 Bulgaria v Norway
18.11.87 Turkey v Norway
9.12.87 Turkey v Bulgaria
6. 4.88 Sov Union v Turkey
13. 4.88 Bulgaria v Winner Group 1
27. 4.88 Sov Union v Bulgaria
10. 5.88 Sov Union v Winner Group 1
25. 5.88 Bulgaria v Turkey

Group E

14.10.86 Finland v Belgium
29.10.86 Czechoslovakia v Belgium
18.11.86 Belgium v Austria
14. 4.87 Austria v Czechoslovakia
12. 5.87 Finland v Austria
3. 6.87 Austria v Yugoslavia
10. 6.87 Finland v Czechoslovakia
26. 8.87 Yugoslavia v Austria
2. 9.87 Yugoslavia v Finland
23. 9.87 Czechoslovakia v Finland
23. 9.87 Belgium v Yugoslavia
7.10.87 Belgium v Czechoslovakia
28.10.87 Belgium v Finland
28.10.87 Czechoslovakia v Yugoslavia
11.11.87 Austria v Belgium
2.12.87 Yugoslavia v Belgium
12. 4.88 Czechoslovakia v Austria
27. 4.88 Yugoslavia v Czechoslovakia
18. 5.88 Finland v Yugoslavia
31. 5.88 Austria v Finland

SOUTH AMERICA

Tournament in Bolivia to decide two S. American qualifiers for the finals. Entries: Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia, Ecuador, Paraguay, Urugay, Venezuela, Peru.

CENTRAL/NORTH AMERICA
Preliminary round
Group A

Bahamas v B. Guyana
Guyana v Bahamas (A/B)
Antigua v Dom. Rep.
Dom. Rep. v Antigua (C/D)
T-Tobago v Suriham
Suriham v T/Tobago (E/F)
Barbados v Jamaica
Jamaica v Barbados (C/H)

Second round

Winners A/B v C/D
C/D v A/B
Winners E/F v G/H
G/H v E/F

Winners qualify for final round of qualifiers

Group B
First round

Canada v USA
USA v Canada
Bermuda v Mexico
Mexico v Bermuda

Winners qualify for final round of qualifiers

Group C
First round

El Salvador v Honduras
Honduras v El Salvador
Panama v C. Rica
C. Rica v Panama

Winners qualify for second round, joined by Guatemala

Second round

League between El Salvador or Honduras and Guatemala and Panama or Costa Rica. Winners and runners-up qualify for final round of qualifiers.

Final round

Between winners and runners-up of Groups A, B and C. The winners and runners-up of this final round qualify for Seou.

ASIA
Preliminary round

West Asia — Group 1: Barhrain, Oman, S. Arabia. **Group 2:** Iraq, Jordan, UAE. **Group 3:** Qatar, Syria, Yemen PDR. **Group 4:** Iran, Kuwait, Yemen AR.

East Asia — Group 1: India, Nepal, Pakistan. **Group 2:** Kampuchea, Korea DPR, Malaysia, Thailand. **Group 3:** Brunei, Indonesia, Japan, Singapore. **Group 4: China, Hong Kong, Philippines.**

Final round

West Asia group: Winners of all first round groups play-off home and away. Winners qualify for Seoul.

East Asia group: Winners of all first round groups play-off home and away. Winners qualify for Seoul.

Note: Iraq and Iran cannot play home matches on their own territory.

OCEANIA/ISRAEL
Preliminary round

Group 1: Australia, Taiwain, Papua New Guinea. **Group 2:** Fiji, New Zealand, W. Samoa. League systems: Home-away matches to decide group winners. Runners-up play home-away to decide third qualifier for final round.

Final round

Winners of Group 1, of Group 2 plus runners-up as well as Israel. Play-off group organised in one country. Winners qualify for Seoul.

AFRICA
Preliminary round

16.11.86 Rwanda v Malawia
30.11.86 Malawi v Rwanda (1/2)
Swaziland v Mauritius
Botswana v Madagascar

First round

Egypt v Kenya
Kenya v Egypt (7/8)
S. Leone v Tunisia
Tunisia v S. Leone (9/10)
1/2 v Cameroon
Cameroon v 1/2 (11/12)
Ghana v Senegal
Senegal v Ghana (13/14)
Gambia v Morocco
Morocco v Gambia (15/16)
Guinea v Iv. Coast
Iv. Coast v Guinea (17/18)
Sudan v Algeria
Algeria v Sudan (19/20)
Ethiopia v Libya
Libya v Ethiopia (21/22)
Botswana v Zambia
Zambia v Botswana (23/24)
Uganda v Mozambique
Mozambique v Zambia (25/26)
Liberia v Nigeria
Nigeria v Liberia (27/28)
Swaziland v Zimbabwe
Zimbabwe v Swaziland (29/30)

Second round

Home-away ties between winners of first round pairings.

Third round

Integral home-away draw between the six qualified teams. Three teams qualify for Seoul.

BRAZIL: National Championship (first stage)

Group A	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Esporte	3	2	1	0	3	1	5
Internacional	3	2	0	1	2	1	4
Sao Paulo	3	1	2	0	3	2	4
Fluminense	3	2	0	1	3	2	4
Ceara	3	1	1	1	5	3	3
Sobradinho	3	1	1	1	3	3	3
Remo	2	0	2	0	1	1	2
Coritiba	3	1	0	2	1	2	2
Sampaio	3	1	0	2	2	5	2
Bangu	2	0	1	1	1	2	1
Operario MS	2	0	0	2	0	2	0
Group B							
Ponte Preta	3	2	1	0	9	2	5
Flamengo	3	2	1	0	6	1	5
Corinthians	3	2	1	0	3	1	5
Joinville	2	1	1	0	2	0	3
Gremio	2	1	0	1	2	2	2
America (Rio)	3	1	0	2	1	3	2
Sergipe	2	1	0	1	1	4	2
Paissandu	3	1	0	2	2	5	2
Goias	3	0	2	1	0	3	2
Atletico Paranense	3	0	1	2	1	4	1
Botafogo Pernambuco	3	0	1	2	1	5	1
Group C							
Bahia	3	3	0	0	8	1	6
Atletico Goia	3	2	0	1	3	3	4
Guarani	2	2	0	0	2	0	4
Operario	2	1	1	0	2	1	3
Santos	2	1	1	0	3	2	3
Rio Branco	3	1	1	1	1	4	3
Nautico Recife	3	1	0	2	1	4	2
Cruzeiro	3	1	0	2	4	4	2
Tuna Luso	3	1	0	2	4	4	2
Pirui	3	1	0	2	2	5	2
Vasco da Gama	3	0	0	3	0	3	0
Group D							
Portuguesa	3	1	2	0	5	3	4
Santa Cruz	3	1	2	0	4	3	4
Atletico Minas Gerais	3	1	2	0	3	1	4
Botafogo Rio	2	1	1	0	1	0	3
Nacional	2	1	1	0	1	0	3
Vitoria	3	1	1	1	2	2	3
Fortaleza	3	1	1	1	2	2	3
CSA	3	0	2	1	0	2	2
Alecrim	3	0	1	2	2	5	1
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(Spain, Rumania, Austria, Albania)

10. 9.86	Rumania — Austria	4-0
15.10.86	Austria — Albania	3 0
12.11.86	Spain — Rumania	
3.12.86	Albania — Spain	
25. 3.86	Rumania — Albania	
1. 4.87	Austria — Spain	
29. 4.87	Albania — Austria	
29. 4.87	Rumania — Spain	
14.10.87	Spain — Austria	
28.10.87	Albania — Rumania	
18.11.87	Spain — Albania	
18.11.87	Austria — Rumania	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Rumania	1	1	0	0	4	0	2
Austria	2	1	0	1	3	4	2
Albania	1	0	0	1	0	3	0
Spain	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Group 2
(Portugal, Sweden, Switzerland, Italy, Malta)

24. 9.86	Sweden — Switzerland	2-0
12.10.86	Portugal — Sweden	1 1
29.10.86	Switzerland — Portugal	
15.11.86	Italy — Switzerland	
16.11.86	Malta — Sweden	
6.12.86	Malta — Italy	
24. 1.87	Italy — Malta	
14. 2.87	Portugal — Italy	
29. 3.87	Portugal — Malta	
15. 4.87	Switzerland — Malta	
6. 5.87	Sweden — Malta	
23. 5.87 or		
3. 6.87	Sweden — Italy	
10. 6.86 or		
17. 6.87	Switzerland — Sweden	
23. 9.87	Sweden — Portugal	
17.10.87	Switzerland — Italy	
11.11.87	Portugal — Switzerland	
14.11.87	Italy — Sweden	
15.11.87	Malta — Switzerland	
5.12.87	Italy — Portugal	
20.12.87	Malta — Portugal	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sweden	2	1	1	0	3	1	3
Portugal	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Switzerland	1	0	0	1	0	2	0
Italy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Malta	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Group 3
(France, Sov. Union, E. Germany, Norway, Iceland)

10. 9.86	Iceland — France	0-0
24. 9.86	Iceland — Sov. Union	1-1
24. 9.86	Norway — E. Germany	0-0
11.10.86	France — Sov. Union	0 2
29.10.86	Sov. Union — Norway	
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3. 6.87	Iceland — E. Germany	
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10.10.87	E. Germany — Sov. Union	
14.10.87	France — Norway	
28.10.87	Sov. Union — Iceland	
28.10.87	E. Germany — Norway	
18.11.87	France — E. Germany	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Sov. Union	2	1	1	0	3	1	3
Iceland	2	0	2	0	1	1	2
E. Germany	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Norway	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
France	2	0	1	1	0	2	1

Group 4
(England, N. Ireland, Turkey, Yugoslavia)

15.10.86	England — N. Ireland	3 0
29.10.86	Yugoslavia — Turkey	
12.11.86	England — Yugoslavia	
12.11.86	Turkey — N. Ireland	
1. 4.87	N. Ireland — England	
29. 4.87	N. Ireland — Yugoslavia	
29. 4.87	Turkey — England	
14.10.87	Yugoslavia — N. Ireland	
14.10.87	England — Turkey	
11.11.87	Yugoslavia — England	
11.11.87	N. Ireland — Turkey	
16.12.87	Turkey — Yugoslavia	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
England	1	1	0	0	3	0	2
N. Ireland	1	0	0	1	0	3	0
Turkey	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yugoslavia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Group 5
(Holland, Hungary, Poland, Greece, Cyprus)

15.10.86	Hungary — Holland	0 1
15.10.86	Poland — Greece	2 1
12.11.86	Greece — Hungary	
19.11.86	Holland — Poland	
3.12.86	Cyprus — Greece	
21.12.86	Cyprus — Holland	
14. 1.87	Greece — Cyprus	
8. 2.87	Cyprus — Hungary	
25. 3.87	Holland — Greece	
12. 4.87	Poland — Cyprus	
29. 4.87	Greece — Poland	
29. 4.87	Holland — Hungary	
17. 5.87	Hungary — Poland	
23. 9.87	Poland — Hungary	
14.10.87	Hungary — Greece	
14.10.87	Poland — Holland	
28.10.87	Holland — Cyprus	
11.11.87	Cyprus — Poland	
2.12.87	Hungary — Cyprus	
16.12.87	Greece — Holland	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Poland	1	1	0	0	2	1	2
Holland	1	1	0	0	1	0	2
Greece	1	0	0	1	1	2	0
Hungary	1	0	0	1	0	1	0
Cyprus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Group 6
(Denmark, Wales, Czechoslovakia, Finland)

10. 9.86	Finland — Wales	1-1
15.10.86	Czechoslovakia — Finland	3 0
29.10.86	Denmark — Finland	
12.11.86	Czech — Denmark	
1. 4.87	Wales — Finland	
29. 4.87	Finland — Denmark	
29. 4.87	Wales — Czechoslovakia	
3. 6.87	Denmark — Czech	
9. 9.87	Wales — Denmark	
9. 9.87	Finland — Czechoslovakia	
14.10.87	Denmark — Wales	
11.11.87	Czechoslovakia — Wales	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Czech.	1	1	0	0	3	0	2
Wales	1	0	1	0	1	1	1
Finland	2	0	1	1	1	4	1
Denmark	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Group 7
(Belgium, Bulgaria, Rep. Ireland, Scotland, Luxembourg)

10. 9.86	Scotland — Bulgaria	0-0
10. 9.86	Belgium — Rep. Ireland	2-2
14.10.86	Luxembourg — Belgium	0 6
15.10.86	Rep. Ireland — Scotland	0 0
12.11.86	Scotland — Luxembourg	
19.11.86	Belgium — Bulgaria	
18. 2.87	Scotland — Rep. Ireland	
1. 4.87	Bulgaria — Rep. Ireland	
1. 4.87	Belgium — Scotland	
29. 4.87	Rep. Ireland — Belgium	
30. 4.87	Luxembourg — Bulgaria	
20. 5.87	Bulgaria — Luxembourg	
28. 5.87	Luxembourg — Rep. Ireland	
9. 9.87	Rep. Ireland — Luxembourg	
23. 9.87	Bulgaria — Belgium	
14.10.87	Scotland — Belgium	
14.10.87	Rep. Ireland — Bulgaria	
11.11.87	Belgium — Luxembourg	
11.11.87	Bulgaria — Scotland	
2.12.87	Luxembourg — Scotland	

	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Belgium	2	1	1	0	8	2	3
Rep. Ireland	2	0	2	0	2	2	2
Scotland	2	0	2	0	0	0	2
Bulgaria	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Luxembourg	1	0	0	1	0	6	0

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29.10.86	Spain — Italy

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10.10.86	France — Sov. Union
11.10.86	Portugal — Sweden
14.10.86	Austria — Albania
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